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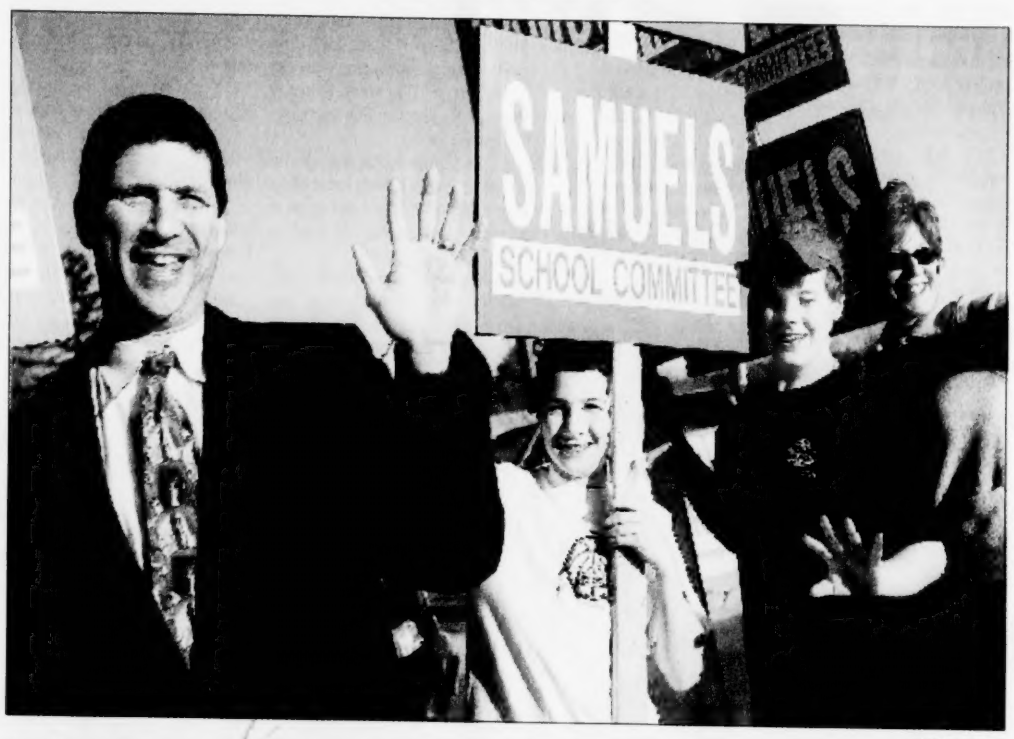


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Uncontested School Committee candidate David Samuels, his son Brad Samuels, Brad's friend Charlie Nickerson, and Thyra Sherman held signs on Shawsheen Road near Andover High School on Election Day. Samuels will begin his first term.

Quiet victories

Without any contested races, only 484 show to name leaders

By Judy Wakefield

The lone person on several election shuttle runs for seniors was the bus driver. Unopposed School Committee candidate David Samuels was the only candidate with campaign signs. Parking was plentiful outside the polling place at Andover High School.

In short, this year's election was a snooze, thanks to four unopposed races.

Just 484 ballots were cast in the town's nine precincts at Tuesday's town election. That works out to slightly more than 2 percent of the 23,540 registered voters in town.

Town Clerk Randy Hanson said the turnout was the lowest for a town election in her 17 years on the job. Typically, town elections bring out 2,500 to 3,000 voters, she said, while an override or

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Town Clerk Randy Hanson was one of the few people to visit the Andover polling place at Andover High School on Tuesday. With no contested races, just 2 percent of Andover voters turned out to vote.

DPW director:

Trash money to cap landfill?

By Andrea Gregory

While town officials debate the best way to use a more than $2 million refund from its trash-disposal facility, the Public Works director says Andover should consider using the money to cap a landfill partially used for playing fields.

"You can use solid waste money to cap a solid waste landfill," said DPW Director Jack Petkus, adding that one way or another officials will have to address the problem at Deyermond Field. "That's going to have to be done." The landfill and its fields are on Ledge Road, near the proposed site for a youth center.

AT ANDOVER HIGH
Snowballs & pepper spray
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Decades ago, the front portion of the landfill was capped to a degree, said Petkus. But only dirt was used to cap it, and the cap does not meet today's standards.

Petkus said today's caps involve more than dirt. There are layers of different material such as plastic and clay used to ensure the area is safe. According to Petkus, the area is periodically checked for problems. If anything dangerous showed up the fields would be closed immediately.

"We've got kids out there playing and that's a concern to everyone," said Petkus.

Petkus said the state Department of Environmental Protection could require the town to fix the cap simply because the present cap does not meet standards in at least two areas: its thickness and its ability to block water from seeping in.

"DEP could just turn around and mandate that we do it," he said.

Petkus said ensuring water does not seep into the landfill is one of the most important reasons that landfills are capped.

A previous Town Meeting appropriated $2.2 million to cap the area in the back of the site. Plans are being reviewed by DEP. Petkus said the plans could go out to bid this summer and construction could start as early as the fall. But there is currently not any funding or plan to recap the front of the site, where there are playing fields in use.

Selectman John Hess said he would like to see a comprehensive plan that addresses all of the site's problems before construction begins.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said he knows Petkus wants this taken care of and that the fields area will receive funding eventually. But for now, it is not a primary focus for the town, said Stapczynski. Stapczynski also said he is not in favor of using the anticipated refund from trash-disposal costs

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Missing the man behind the counter

Town remembers former Ford's owner

By Judy Wakefield

For 40 years, Tom Koravos was the man behind the counter at the former Ford's Coffee Shop on Main Street, better known as Andover's political center, where local pols sipped coffee each morning and talked about the issues of the day.

"Every time I walk by, I still see him at the counter and (his wife) Stella at the cash register," said State Sen. Sue Tucker of Andover, who held informal office hours two to three times a week at Ford's when she was a state representative in the 1980s. "It was Political Central there for many years and, like many people in Andover, I really miss Ford's."

Reminiscing about the former coffee shop, a hangout for everyone from Jay Leno to Phillips Academy students such as John F. Kennedy Jr., has been a popular topic in town this week. Longtime Ford's owner Thomas "Tom" L. Koravos died last Friday, March 18 at Lawrence General Hospital. The Andover resident was 85.

He owned and operated Ford's Coffee Shop with his wife, Stella, and family for 40 years, from 1954 to 1994. Koravos and his wife were both 75 when they retired from their restaurant. Their shop is now a Starbucks.

"Ford's was their Cinderella story," daughter Olivia Sintros of Andover said of her parents business. "They both had parents who were Greek immigrants. My parents worked very, very hard and I know many people will always remember them."

While it's been almost 11 years since the coffee shop closed, Sintros said whenever people saw her parents during the past several years they asked the same question: "When will

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TOWNSMAN FILE PHOTO

Tom Koravos, owner of the former Ford's Coffee Shop, died Friday, March 18 at age 85. The photo above is from 1992, nearly two years before he and his wife, Stella, closed Ford's.

SCHOOL BUDGET

Teachers' contract ratified easily...

By Rita Savard

The thunderous applause roaring through the Andover High School cafeteria last Thursday, where more than 400 town educators whooped and cheered, meant one thing: a new contract.

"It was the sound of relief," said Pat Thompson, co-chairwoman of the bargaining team for the Andover Education Association, and a special education teacher at West Elementary School.

For Thompson, and hundreds more Andover teachers, the March 17 vote to adopt a new teachers' contract, signified an end in the two-year struggle for "fair" cost-of-living raises. The agreement, including a 9.4-percent pay raise for teachers over the next three years, was ratified by more than 90 percent of town educators, according to union president Tom Meyers. Meyers said approximately 20 of the 480 union members voted against the contract.

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Tim Felter (center) of the Finance Committee asked the School Committee on Monday what it could restore to have the most impact on students. Parents at the crowded meeting called for leaders to prioritize, spending more on schools.

But how will town pay for all school costs?

By Rita Savard

Selectmen and Finance Committee members said on Monday that the school department has not presented a clear case for why it needs more than the $50.6 million the town manager has recommended.

The Finance Committee and selectmen wanted to know how the School Committee plans to pay for teachers' raises, and exactly how they would spend a requested $350,000 to restore recently cut programs. But the two boards say they remain skeptical about resolving the issues by Friday – the deadline to print copies of the final budget book mailed to Town Meeting voters.

Selectmen Chairman Brian Major added that he is doubtful either board will take a position at an additional budget meeting on Wednesday, after *Townsman* press time.

Selectman Mary Lyman said the School Committee's idea that it will pay for teachers' raises with the money saved from forecasted, new retirees "is not money in hand, it's an anticipated savings plan."

"Unless there is a certainty about where the money is coming from," added Lyman, "there

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Capping landfill

■ FIELDS

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to take care of the problems at the field.

However, Selectman Mary Lyman said she liked the idea of using at least some of the town's refund for the project.

"The plan does have merit," said Lyman. "We need the playing fields, so it does make sense."

Petkus did not make a formal request for the trash money, but said it could cost an additional $3 million to fix the area that is under the current soccer and baseball fields.

In the 1980s, Andover teamed with 22 other communities, known as North East Solid Waste Committee, to build the Wheelabrator trash incinerator in North Andover. It locked the municipalities into a 20-year agreement. This year the facility will finally be paid for, and the communities will see sums of money coming their way.

Out of all the NESWC municipalities that joined forces to create the incinerator, Andover is expected to receive the second largest amount, between $2.4 million and $2.8 million.

This year's Town Meeting has three options for the money due to return. A private warrant article asks residents to approve earmarking the money for a youth center. The town manager submitted two warrant articles. One would create a trust fund primarily designated for trash and recycling purposes. The other would put the money into a stabilization fund. Only one of the town-sponsored articles will make it to the floor of Town Meeting.

Petkus said the town will receive the money in one lump payment.

Petkus said the money is currently in a number of NESWC accounts and, as they begin to close, the money will be rolled into an account until all the money is together. Then a check will be cut to the town, he said.

Petkus said Andover should receive its multi-million dollar return in January or February 2006.

He knows Town Meeting voters are going to be asked to vote on what to do with the money this year, but suggested waiting on a decision.

"Bank on it when you get the check," Petkus said.

WITH 2 PERCENT REPORTING...

Actually, the totals below are with 100 percent reporting, and 2 percent voting. With less than 500 of Andover's eligible voters taking part, here is how the town voted:

SELECTMAN

418	Mary Lyman
62	Blanks
4	Write ins

MODERATOR

425	Jim Doherty
50	Blanks
9	Write ins

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

408	David Samuels
66	Blanks
10	Write ins

HOUSING AUTHORITY

419	Francis O'Connor
62	Blanks
3	Write ins

Election results

■ LOW TURNOUT

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debt exclusion issue can bring that number to 4,000.

"This is very, very quiet," Hanson said while surrounded by election workers who were knitting, reading and doing crossword puzzles to pass the time.

"It is what it is," incumbent Selectman Mary Lyman said of the election. "I'm not disappointed (in the low turnout) because it is what I expected."

While Lyman was the lone selectmen candidate, Samuels was the only candidate for the School Committee seat vacated by incumbent Christopher Smith who did not seek reelection after first indicating he would. Incumbent moderator Jim Doherty and Housing Authority member Francis O'Connor will return to office.

"I'm not disappointed in the low turnout but I would have preferred a real campaign," Samuels said. "I've been on the fringe for a long time and missed not having a real campaign with a real debate on the issues."

But he made the best of the situation, choosing to read up on School Committee matters because he did not have to hit the campaign trail in the weeks leading up to the election, he said. "I am so up on things because I was able to spend time on them," Samuels said excitedly.

That kind of public service enthusiasm is what brought voter Paul Stolberg of Andover to the polls even though there were no races. He said he voted to show support for the candidates, especially Lyman.

"I just hope this is not a trend in the country. I think local elections are very important even if there is no real race. I always vote," he said.

This was the third time MVRTA bus driver Theresa Janvrin drove the election shuttle and she was surprised by the lack of riders. Just two seniors took her senior shuttle on Tuesday morning, as most of her runs were empty.

"Hardly anyone is here," she said.

"I just breezed on through and usually this road is packed with people and cars," she said of the entrance road to Andover High. "Usually, it's very busy."

Maybe next year was the thinking of many, including Hanson and Lyman. Two selectmen – Ted Teichert and chairman Brian Major – will be up for reelection, as will School Committee members Art Barber and Tony James.



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There were very few seniors for bus driver Theresa Janvrin (inset) to drive to the polls. Most of her runs were empty.

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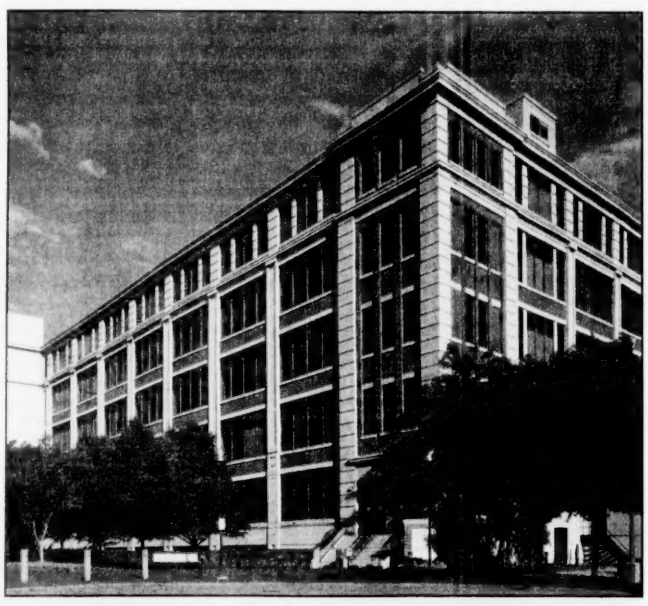
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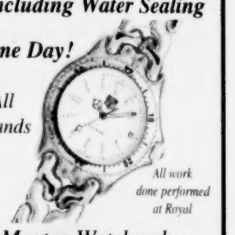
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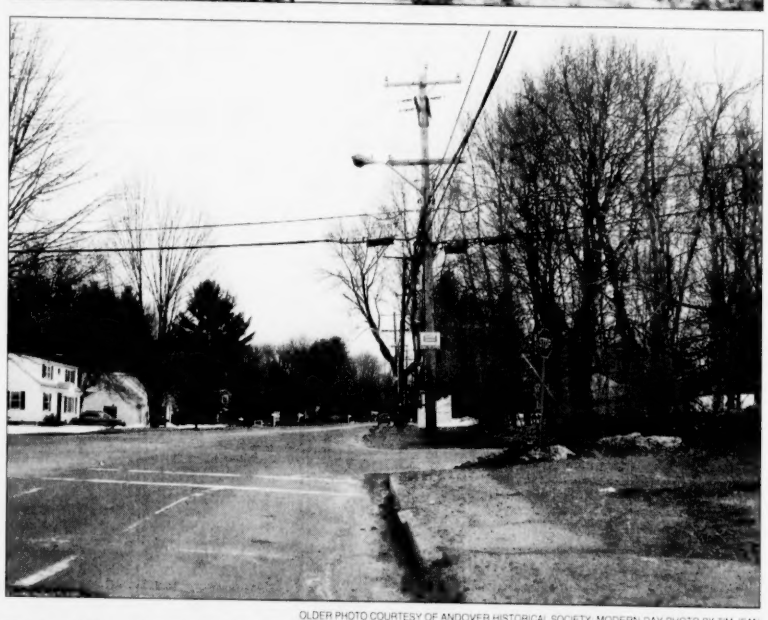


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PAST AND PRESENT





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The top photo shows wind damage from the 1938 hurricane at Carter's Corner, at the intersection of Rocky Hill Road and South Main Street, the location of the former Idle Hour Riding Academy. The bottom photo shows the same area today. Residents who have an older photo for this "Past and Present" feature are invited to stop by the paper or send the photo and information to the *Andover Townsman*, 33 Chestnut St., Andover 01810.

Library to hold database workshops

Memorial Hall Library will hold free workshops to learn about the library's electronic databases, next Tuesday, March 29 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, March 30 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Find magazine and newspaper articles, trace ancestors on the Ancestry Library, print diagrams from *Mitchell's Auto Repair*, find company information or take an SAT practice test. Many of the databases can be accessed from one's home or office. Sign up by calling 978-623-8401, Ext. 32; e-mail rdesk@mhl.org; or visit the library's reference desk.

Auction benefits scholarship fund

An auction of art and sports memorabilia will be held Saturday, April 9, at the Haverhill Country Club, Brickett Lane, Haverhill. A preview from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. will be followed by the auction.

All proceeds benefit the Daniel Romanuk Memorial Scholarship Fund. Romanuk was killed in an automobile accident two years ago, when he was 16.

The scholarship is awarded based on the student's character.

Romanuk's mother, Patricia Walsh Romanuk, is an Andover High School graduate. His grandparents, Frank and June Walsh, are longtime Andover residents.

For tickets and more information, call 603-382-3794 or 603-819-9706.

Author reading tonight

Andover author Mary McGarry Morris will be reading and signing at the Andover Bookstore, March 24 at 7 p.m. Her book, *The Lost Mother*, is about a father and his two young children, abandoned by his wife during the Great Depression.

There will be a book signing following the reading.

For more information, call 1-800-491-0143.

Quote, unquote . . .

THE JOKE AROUND HERE is that it will be a spring start. We just don't know which year.

– Bill McLaughlin, AvalonBay's vice president of development, about his company's plan to build a 115-unit housing complex on River Road. AvalonBay is waiting for court rulings, but has now bought the land it needs. **(Story, page 4)**

YOU'VE GOT TO BE CRAZY TO BE A POLE VAULTER. Anyone who wants to run 30 yards carrying a pole that's 10 to 12 feet long at full-speed, then plant it in a box before flinging themself over a barrier – and hopefully landing on the padded mat – has to be a little screwy

– Andover High track coach Peter Comeau, joking about the difficulties involved in pole vaulting. **(Story, page 16)**

News Calendar

Thursday, March 24

Disability Commission, Memorial Hall Library, activity room, 7 p.m.

Finance Committee, Town Offices, second floor, 7 p.m.

Monday, March 28

Selectmen, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 29

Fish brook Initiative Task Force, Water Treatment Plant, Lowell Street, 7 p.m.

School Committee, School Administration Building, third floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 30

Council on Aging & Senior Center Task Force, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., 6 p.m.

Senior Center Task Force, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., 7:30 p.m.

Contributory Retirement Board, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 5

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third floor, 7:45 p.m.

Thursday, April 7

Zoning Board of Appeals, Memorial Hall Library, The Hall 7 p.m.

2nd unregistered sex offender caught

By Andrea Gregory

A local sex offender spent about six months under the radar until Andover police nabbed him on Tuesday.

Michael Duplissa, 41, of 27 Winter St., North Reading, was arrested and charged with failing to register as a sex offender.

In 2000, Duplissa was convicted of indecent assault and battery on a child under the age of 14. The incident took place in Andover's Harold Parker State Forest.

Duplissa was released from the Middleton House of Corrections in September 2004.

According to Lt. Arthur Ricci, Duplissa was supposed to register as a sex offender within two days. Instead, Duplissa settled into his North Reading home and got a job at the North Reading Papa Gino's, said Ricci.

When Duplissa drove his vehicle marked with a Papa Gino's delivery flag through Andover recently, Officer Evan Robitaille ran a routine check on the license plate. Back at the station, Robitaille looked into it a little more and discovered the driver should be a registered sex offender, said Ricci.

According to Ricci, the Massachusetts Sex Offender Registry Board was under the impression Duplissa was still incarcerated.

Andover Police called Duplissa at work. Ricci said they told him they were investigating a hit-and-run to get him to come down to the station.

This is the second unregistered sex offender that Robitaille has caught within the past few weeks. On Feb. 11, he arrested a convicted child rapist who had been working at Philips Medical Systems in Andover under a fake name.

Failing to register as a sex offender is a felony. Violators could spend up to five years in prison.

Cole Community Service nominations are due

Andover is seeking nominations for the Virginia Cole Community Service Award. This annual award will be presented at the 2005 Annual Town Meeting. Nominations must be submitted to Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's office by tomorrow, Friday, March 25.

Award criteria

Outstanding, long-term contributions to the town in elected, appointed or volunteer roles or a combination of these.

Process

Screening Committee: Nominations will be screened by the town manager, superintendent of schools and president of the League of Women Voters. At least six names will be forwarded to the Selection Committee.

Selection Committee: The Selection Committee will be comprised of the chairman of the Board of Selectmen (or his/her designee), chairman of the School Committee (or his/her designee) and the town moderator.

Presentation of the award

The award will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting. It might not be given annually, but should be awarded as truly exceptional individuals are identified. A bowl will be presented to the recipient and a plaque will be hung in Town Offices with the inscription of the recipient's name.

Andona Society, YMCA plan 12th Spring Fling

April 2 event is for middle school students

The Andona Society and the Andover / North Andover YMCA will sponsor the 12th annual Spring Fling on Saturday, April 2, at the Andover/North Andover YMCA from 8 to 10:30 p.m. All sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade Andover students from Doherty, West, Wood Hill, St. Augustine, Pike and Montessori are invited to this drug- and chemical-free, fun-filled, middle-school event.

Registration forms and parental permission slips will be available at the respective middle schools and are required for admission.

Admission is $10 a student.

According to organizers, the evening promises to be filled with a variety of exciting activities geared toward middle-school students including a Bungee Run, DJ, dancing, mat room, swimming and door prizes. Pizza, soda, snacks and all activities are included in the ticket price.

Andona members will be in attendance as chaperones throughout the evening.

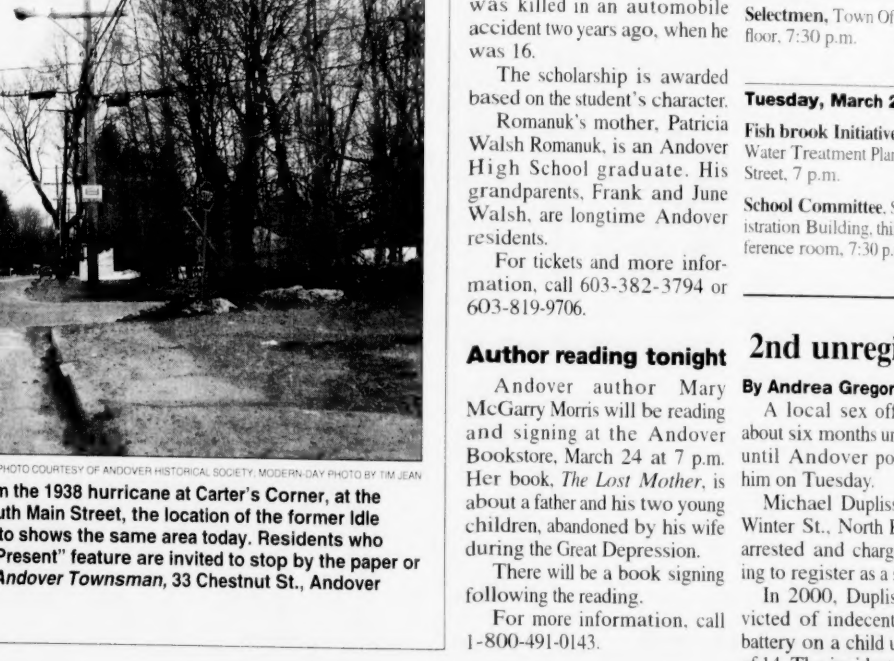
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Parents want schools as budget priority

■ BUDGET CONCERNS

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is always the possibility of a layoff, and that's the last thing anyone wants to see happen."

Schools Superintendent Claudia Bach said the money saved from teachers who plan to retire this year (currently 13) expels any notions of teacher layoffs.

"The cash is in hand," said Bach "We have a handful of people retiring who are not going to be replaced."

If six teachers retiring at the high school level are not replaced, yet their classes are covered by teachers picking up an extra block for a $4,000 stipend, the district would save quite a bit of money, she said. The process, added Bach, has proven to be a cost-effective solution in other towns, such as Belmont, with schools comparable to Andover.

Dozens of parents turned out for Monday's 7 p.m. meeting at Memorial Hall Library, some with younger children in tow. Around 9:30 p.m., still waiting for an opportunity from officials to voice their concerns, some frustrated parents interrupted the talks.

"Are you doing this on purpose so that we can't have any input?" asked Susan Conway, a member of the AHS Parent Advisory Council.

One by one, about half a dozen parents approached the podium and urged officials to make schools a priority.

New contract

Under the new teachers' contract agreement, a 9.4-percent pay raise over three years is retroactive to the beginning of this fiscal year, 2005 – when no pay raises were budgeted for any of the town's employees. Funding for this year's raises, totaling about $366,000, was provided through the following sources:

• $100,000 from the school district's homeless transportation fund: The state changed its policy this year on homeless families living in hotels. No children will be living in Andover hotels and getting bused back to schools in other districts.

• $45,000 from the business administrator's salary. Since a replacement was not found for retiring Business Administrator Bernie Tuttle last year, he temporarily resumed his position on a part-time basis.

• $100,000 from budget freeze funds. According to the superintendent, tight budget cycles during the past four years have caused the need for slow downs or freezes in spending. Principals must receive permission from the business manager for purchasing supplies.

• $121,000 saved when teachers retire or leave the district and are replaced by teachers who earn less, or are not replaced at all.

According to Tuttle, Andover will save about $200,000 next year because of retiring teachers.

Finance Committee member Tim Felton repeatedly grilled the School Committee for specific items that would fall outside of the town manager's recommended school budget of $50,573,467.

"What can you restore that will have the most impact?" Felton asked.

School Committee member Deb Silberstein said it was "too early to discuss" specifics. Bach added that any restoration of programs was to begin with elementary and middle schools, and priorities would ultimately be determined by the principals.

"We really need to be able to determine how far into reserves we need to go to fund certain things," Major added. "The reserves are at extremely, dangerously low levels right now."

Although School Committee Chairman Tony James told the two boards he would have the information by Wednesday's meeting, Lyman said she was most concerned that the final budget book for Town Meeting voters will go to the printer on Friday "without anything from the schools" to provide a clear outline.

"The School Committee hasn't even voted (on the budget) yet," added Major. "I don't see us taking a ratifying vote until after we go to print for the town warrant."

9.4 percent in raises, more health costs

■ TEACHERS

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"The package we were offered keeps us competitive with comparable towns," said Andover High physics teacher Ron Francis. "That's all we wanted."

Under the new contract, teachers will receive a 9.4 percent pay increase by 2007. Teachers who have been teaching in Andover for more than a year, can also choose to teach one extra class in exchange for a $4,000 stipend.

In addition, insurance co-pays will increase from $5 to $15 for doctor's visits and climb from $25 to $75 for emergency room care.

While some teachers expressed concern over the tripling costs of co-pays, said Francis, people ultimately voted on the totality of the package.

"You don't vote for pieces of a contract," Francis explained. "You vote for the whole deal."

That new deal provides town educators with a 2-percent increase retroactive to the 93rd day of work this school year, a 1-percent increase Sept. 1, followed by a 2.5-percent increase on the 93rd work day next school year, a 1-percent increase on Sept. 1, 2006, and a 2.6-percent increase effective on the 93rd workday of '06-'07.

"Many teachers were upset that they had to take a zero percent increase coming into September 2004," added Francis, who was also a chief negotiator. "Nobody likes to get a zero percent raise in any year. The town shouldn't be in a position where it doesn't budget for pay raises. Especially when it's clear there are going to be raises in comparable towns."

The journey to reaching a contract agreement began in 2003 and some of the union's longtime members said several months of heated bargaining sessions often "pitted teachers against the system."

"In my 32 years in the union, I've never seen it (negotiations) get that nasty," Union Vice President Kerry Costello said, referring to the controversial flyer that had circulated in January, attacking Meyers' credibility as union president. The anonymous ad also mentioned Meyers' children, angering many union supporters.

In a demonstration before the School Committee in January, Andover High teacher Charles Wettergreen had publicly accused the committee of distributing the negative flyer. The School Committee denied having any association with the flyer and told teachers they "disapproved" of the conduct and behavior exhibited in the document.

Despite some turbulent times, Costello said the bargaining process also had its benefits. "This particular bargaining cycle brought our members closer together," she added. "There is a stronger solidarity between teachers now."

According to School Committee Chairman Tony James, the committee was "very pleased" to learn that the teachers had ratified the contract. "We believe it's a fiscally responsible agreement," James said. "It's fair and equitable not only to our teachers, but to the citizens of Andover. We hope that everyone will now turn their attention to providing a quality education to each of our 6,000 students."

As court ponders, AvalonBay buys

Developer purchases River Road land

By Andrea Gregory

Developer AvalonBay has bought outright the nine-acre River Road site where it has been planning for five years to build a 115-unit residential project.

Until recently, AvalonBay only had an agreement to purchase the land if its plan for an affordable housing complex could be built. But even with the $3.4 million transaction to purchase the land, the project's start date is still in limbo.

"The joke around here is that it will be a spring start. We just don't know which year," said Bill McLaughlin, AvalonBay's vice president of development.

AvalonBay must wait for two court rulings to decide the fate of the project, which has been talked about for five years. Part of the holdup is the strong neighborhood opposition the project has faced, with a group of residents calling itself Protect Andover Zoning trying to stop the development.

"We feel optimistic about both cases," said McLaughlin.

McLaughlin said there was little hesitation when it came to shelling out $3,432,000 for 460 River Road, a decision made last month. The company's purchase-and-sale agreement was ready to expire, and AvalonBay was not willing to walk away, he said.

AvalonBay plans to develop the site under Ch. 40B, also know as the "anti-snob zoning act." In towns and cities with less than 10 percent affordable housing, developers can skirt local zoning regulations under Ch. 40B. In exchange, 25 percent of the units built must be rented or sold below market rate to people making less than the area's median income.

The AvalonBay project was approved prior to Andover surpassing the 10-percent threshold, and it currently counts toward the town's affordable housing total since it received town approval to be built. The project's approval from the Andover zoning board was appealed by Protect Andover Zoning.

Andover Planning Director Steve Colyer said Andover anticipates a decision from the state Appeals Court on the project's approval "literally any day now."

The other pending lawsuit involves AvalonBay's ability to connect to a sewer line. Although town officials gave it permission to do so, a 2003 Town Meeting vote rescinded the authorization. The warrant article had been sponsored by PAZ.

The Town Meeting decision also left a group of nuns living down the road confused as to whether they could still tie into town sewer.

On May 20, 2003, about a month after the Town Meeting decision, Sister Therese Marie Lacroix wrote a letter to Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski inquiring how the sisters – who need to maintain a connection to the town sewers – would be affected by the voters' decision. Without a clear answer from town officials, the nuns joined AvalonBay in suing the town.



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A group of nuns moved out of their former quarters to a smaller home across River Road. AvalonBay hopes to build a housing project at the old site.

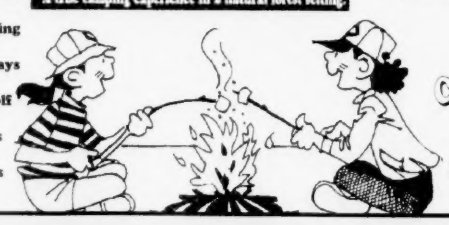
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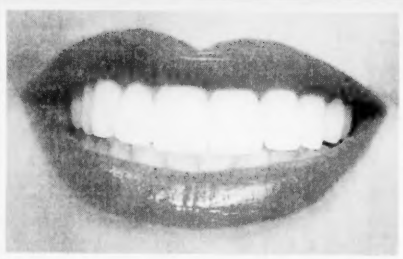
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WATER RESCUE



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Susan Christopherson of 11 Mohawk Road is reunited with her dog Charlotte after it was rescued from falling through the ice covering a stream. Andover fire department Lt. Richard Dalton (right) went into the water up to his chest to save the dog. Animal Control Officer Wayne Nader (center) holds Charlotte.

Charlotte's safe return

Town treat pet, human rescues the same

By Andrea Gregory

Charlotte clung to the ice, her body submerged in the frigid water. Her front paws were not strong enough to pull her out of the stream on Mohawk Road. But the mix-breed dog hung on, until a full response team answered the call and saved her.

Charlotte, a pet of the Christopherson family, fell through the ice early last Monday afternoon, March 14, about 15 feet from the shoreline.

Two fire engines, a ladder truck with a small boat, an ambulance and an animal control officer stood by as Fire Lt. Richard Dalton, donning a cold-water rescue suit, went in after the pooch. With the water up to his chest, Dalton was able to lasso Charlotte using a "capture pole" – a dog catcher's stick – and bring her to safety.

Deputy Fire Chief Richard Hartman said Charlotte remained calm and the rescue went smoothly, completed in less than two minutes. Fortunately, he said, it was a dog rescue only. Hartman said people sometimes attempt to save an animal themselves. But if the ice is not strong enough to support an animal, it surely won't hold human weight, he said.

When calls come in for a pet through the ice, the response team prepares the same as it would for a person.

"We send a full response as if it was a human rescue," said Hartman. "Our first priority is the safety of people. We don't treat it as just a pet rescue."

Charlotte's owner, Susan Christopherson of Mohawk Road, told officials she had been walking Charlotte through the neighborhood, said Hartman. She had attempted to save her dog herself, but with the water up to her thighs and Charlotte still out of reach, she decided to call for help, said Hartman.

Hartman said as spring approaches, the ice covering waterways weakens. It is not always easy to tell how solid or fragile the ice is by looking at the surface, he added.

"There is such a high potential for something like this to turn from a dog rescue to a human rescue," he said.

Hartman said his entire department trains for ice rescue every year. He said the training has been in affect for years, and local tragedies in the past have brought more attention to the dangers of thin ice and the need for quick responses.

Once out of the water on Monday, Charlotte walked briskly and wagged her tail.

"It seemed like a very calm dog, certainly alert," said Hartman. "It was cooperative in its rescue."

Charlotte was not wearing a leash when authorities rescued her.

"Keep 'em leashed," said Animal Control Officer Wayne Nader, adding if pets do get loose owners should not chase them into potentially dangerous situations. "You teach your kid not to chase a ball into the street. Don't chase your dog out onto the ice."

ARRESTS

Wednesday, March 16 - At 10:12 a.m., William Cropper, 35, of 32 Center St., was arrested and charged with breaking and entering for misdemeanor. He also had warrants for a marked lanes violation and his second offense for operating under the influence.

At 10:29 a.m., Sharon Buchanan, 44, of 360 South Broadway, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

At 2:51 p.m., Ivan Acevedo, 22, of 288 High St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, attaching wrong plates to a motor vehicle, a number plate violation and having an uninsured vehicle.

At 3:13 p.m., Marie Needs, 48, of 13 Lucerne Drive, was arrested and charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, assault with a dangerous weapon, and having a firearm without an FID card.

At 3:46 p.m., Shawn McGhee, 32, of 93 Plainfield Ave., Malden, was arrested and charged on warrants for check forgery, identification fraud, two counts of larceny over $250, receiving stolen property and failure to return leased property.

At 10:53 p.m., Pascual Antonio Melo Medina, 37, of 9 Delle Ave., Roxbury, was arrested and charged with unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Friday, March 18 - At 2:16 p.m., Kenneth Ploof, 40, of 46 Oak Terrace, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with being a fugitive from justice. He also had warrants for neglect of a child, speeding, operating under the influence of liquor, having a suspended license and a highway-markings violation.

Saturday, March 19 - At 2:20 p.m., Alex Lugo, 19, of 215 Crawford St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged on warrants for four counts of receiving stolen property and possession of a class E substance.

Sunday, March 20 - At 10:54 p.m., Sokhom Chum, 45, of 134 Shaw St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with operating under the influence of liquor.

Tuesday, March 22 – At 11:10 a.m., Edward Espin, 33, of 194 Prespoct St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with possession of a class D substance. He also had warrants for larceny from a building, home invasion, assault in a dwelling, possession of a class B substance with intent to distribute, larceny of a motor vehicle, false Registry of Motor Vehicle documents and having an unregistered and uninsured vehicle.

At 12:08 p.m., Michael Duplissa, 41, of 27 Winter St., North Reading, was arrested and charged with failing to register as a sex offender.

At 1:41 p.m., Karen Ingalls, 41, of 16 Central St., Woburn, was arrested and charged with possession of a class B substance with intent to distribute and distribution of a class B substance.

At 2 p.m., Junior DoCarmo, 24, of 138 Falcon St., East Boston, was arrested and charged with possession of a class B substance with intent to distribute, and distribution of a class B substance.

At 2:20 p.m., Christopher Napoli, 26, of 155 Gaston St., Medford, was arrested and charged with possession of a class B substance.

THEFTS

Thursday, March 17 - At 8:30 p.m., a Boston cab driver reported that he drove someone from Boston to Andover. On Samos Lane the cab driver stopped to let his customer out of the car, but the man ran into the nearby woods without paying for his ride.

Friday, March 18 - At 12:47 p.m., a bobcat bucket was reported stolen from New England Business Park Drive.

Sunday, March 20 - At 11:08 a.m., a female was summoned to court for shoplifting.

Monday, March 21 - At 4:14 p.m., a mother reported her child's musical instrument was stolen.

BREAKS

Wednesday, March 16 - At 9:59 a.m., a resident reported a house break.

INCIDENTS

Thursday, March 17 - At 12:29 p.m., three people were summoned for possession of a class D substance and one person for possession of a class E substance.

At 1:57 p.m., there was a report of fraudulent bank activity.

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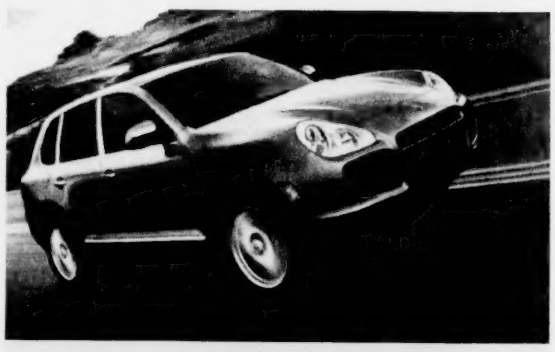
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POLICE

■ INCIDENTS

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At 8:08 p.m., Brooks Pharmacy reported that someone forged a signature on a credit card. The person was no longer in the store when the incident was reported.

Friday, March 18 - At 4 p.m., Brickstone Security reported some juveniles playing on the train tracks and dodging trains.

Sunday, March 20 - At 4:58 p.m., there was a report of a dog stuck in the ice behind Abbott Bridge Drive. The dog was rescued by the Andover Fire Department.

At 5:16 p.m., someone reported kids throwing "ice balls" at passing cars on Hidden Road.

Monday, March 21 - At 4:18 p.m., a resident reported that someone has made a Web site about her daughter and she wanted a report taken.

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DOHERTY FIRE

Tuesday, March 22 – At 9:27 a.m., someone reported arson at the Doherty Middle School on Bartlet Street. According to the police report, a small fire had been set and extinguished about 30 minutes before it was reported. The Fire Department is continuing the investigation.

Doherty Principal Floyd McManus sent a letter home to parents telling them about two fires that were set at the school. His letter said that members of the school staff extinguished both fires.

"These fires are extremely serious offenses. Evidently, one or more students either did not realize or chose to ignore the potential danger of their actions to the entire school community. Hopefully we will be able to apprehend those involved," wrote McManus.

Allegation at Andover High:

After snowball hit, mom uses pepper spray

By Andy Kosow and Chris Markuns

A 48-year-old Andover mother was arrested and charged with pepper-spraying a 16-year-old boy in the face and threatening him with a tire iron at Andover High last Wednesday, after a group of students pelted her car with snowballs.

But the woman's lawyer maintains she was more victim than assailant, and the snowball attack that started it all is part of a regular "game" played by students.

Marie J. Needs, 13 Lucerne Drive, was arraigned in Lawrence District Court last Thursday on several charges – including one felony charge of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon – and released pending a pretrial hearing on the condition that she stay away from the student she is accused of pepper-spraying. The judge refused to grant the prosecutor's request that she be barred from going to the high school, where her daughter is a student.

Needs' lawyer argued that police arrested the wrong person.

"She is the victim here," attorney Robert Lewin told the court. "I won't call them kids – she was assaulted by a pack of men and women throwing snowballs at her." One snowball hit her in the head, Lewin said.

Needs and Lewin refused to comment after the hearing this morning. Reached at home, Needs said her lawyer told her not to comment but added, "There is lot of irony in this – I was defending myself from a major bombardment."

It was Needs who entered the school and called police for protection following the incident, Lewin said in court, and while there she heard an employee say "the kids are doing their snowball thing again."

Andover High Principal Peter Anderson refused to comment.

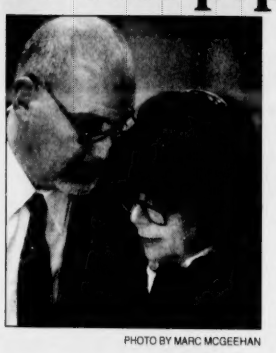


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Maria Needs consults with her lawyer, Robert Lewin, in Lawrence District Court.

The confrontation began about 2:30 p.m., according to police and prosecutors, when snowballs were thrown at Needs' car as she arrived at the high school to pick up her daughter. She responded by speeding into the student parking lot, parking behind a student's car and yelling at the students she suspected of hurling the snowballs, police said.

Things escalated when the student whose car was blocked, 16-year-old Joseph Cataldo – who police say was not involved in throwing the snowballs – asked her to move her car so he could go to work. Needs pulled out a 14-inch tire iron and began waving it around, prosecutors said.

"Cataldo wasn't involved in the snowball deal," said Andover Police Lt. William MacKenzie. "(Needs) said he just asked her to move her car and she felt threatened."

"She said if he asked her (to move it) one more time he'd see what happens," prosecutor Adam Troupe said.

Cataldo replied with a "sarcastic comment."

That is when Needs sprayed him in the right eye with pepper spray, although Lewin said it only came after Cataldo stuck his head in her car. Cataldo was treated at school and sent home. His father said he returned to school the next day.

There is a pretrial conference for Needs scheduled for April 8.

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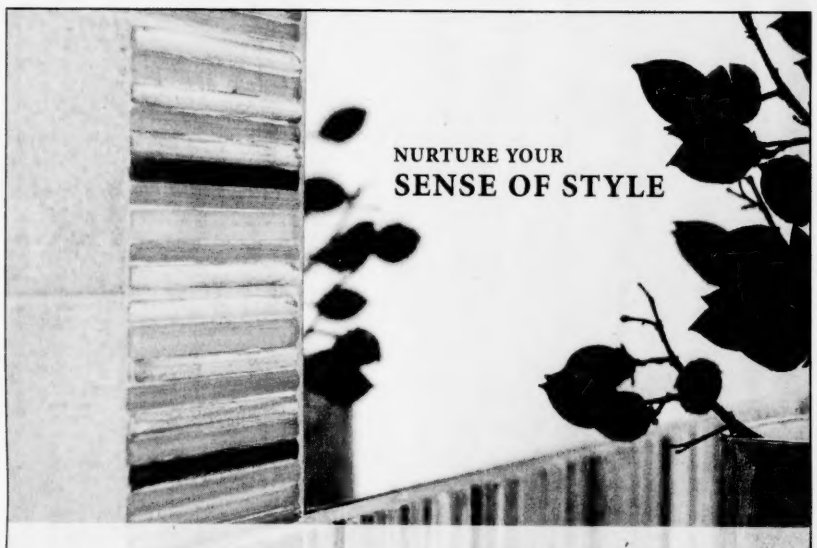
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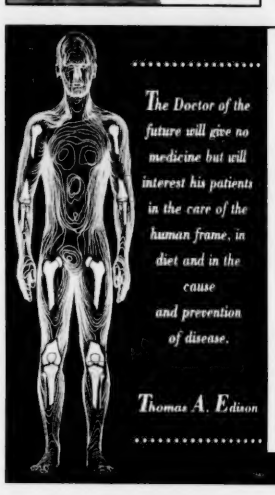


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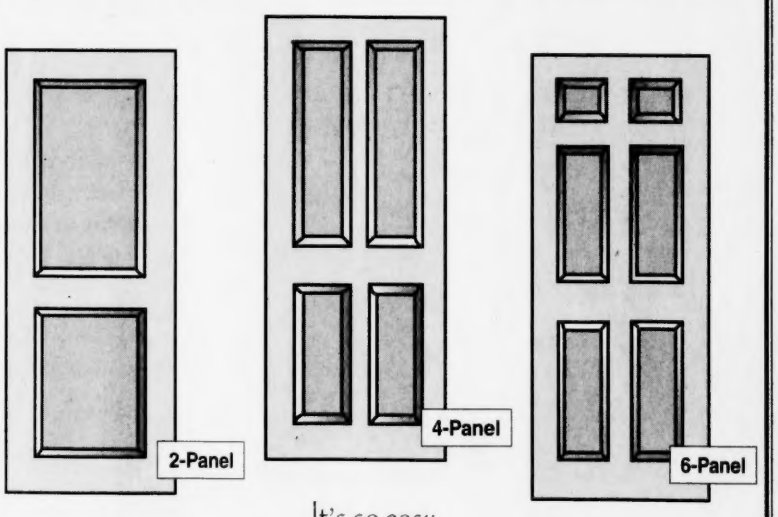


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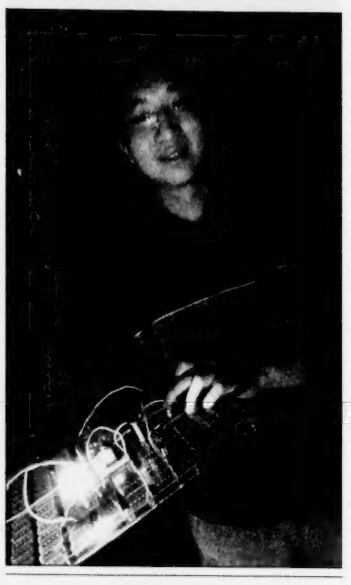
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Education

Homegrown engineers at AHS

By Rita Savard



◀ Roy Sun holds a delay relay circuit as he learns engineering principles at Andover High.

FLICKING ON a light switch, turning on a computer, starting up a car. How much time do you spend thinking about these things?

While many people might not put more than a second's thought into such seemingly simple tasks, engineers spend thousands of hours each year making them possible.

In a field that scientists say is headed for a "dangerous decline" in numbers, a class of Andover High School students is gaining some hands-on experience to help light the way for future American engineers.

"Kids get excited about building electronic devices that work," says Ron Francis, an Andover High physics teacher who helped implement the new engineering course. "It's a great service for the school to offer."

Designed to teach students basic lessons in learning to construct what they operate, the AHS course is one out of a few high school classes in the state – and the nation – to offer the college-level study, according to Susan Staffin Metz, a leader in engineering advocacy programs.

Although the National Science Board reported last year that low number of American engineers has increased the demand for importing experts from other countries, Massachusetts is currently the only state in the US to require engineering curriculum for students in grades K-12.

"If action is not taken now to change these trends," advised Metz, "it will prove disastrous to the country's economic welfare and security."

Andover High's group of next-generation engineers is now taking steps to reverse the trends.

Demonstrating how a relay operates, Roy Sun, 16, untangles a web of tiny, overlapping wires and affixes them to a bred board. With one quick flip of a switch, a light shines or a buzzer can ring. But in order to work properly, Sun had to carefully measure the electrical current flowing through the circuits.

The relay opens and closes the flow of current in a circuit, reducing the amount of electricity that passes through a switch.

"It's kind of like opening up a gate in a dam," Francis explains "You don't need much strength to open the gate, but the amount of water that comes through can be very powerful."

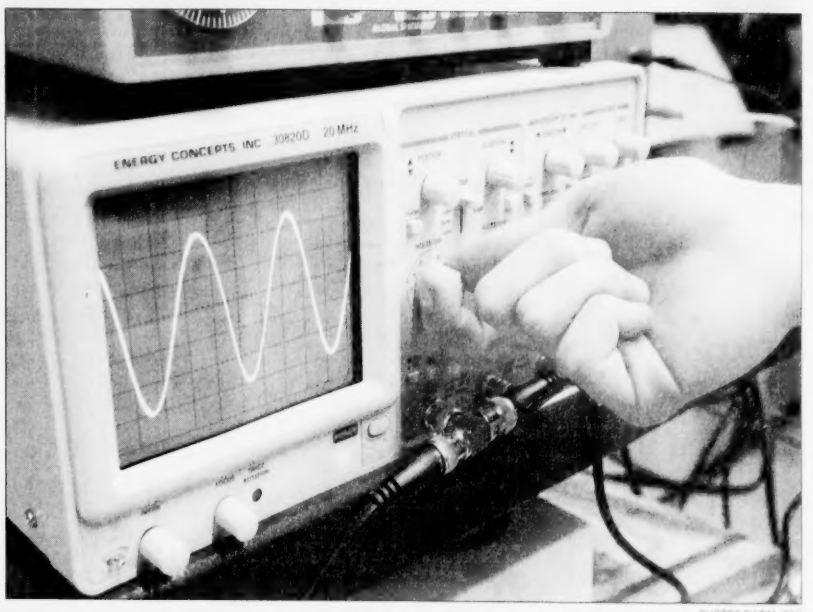
From turning on an ignition in a car to powering a computer, an "avalanche" of electrons is needed to set the machinery in motion.

"But you wouldn't want that coming out in a giant force," warns Francis.

Sun says constructing the models himself helps give him a clearer picture of how devices work and theories in engineering are developed. In the engineering lab, instruction manuals replace textbooks and students create their own tools to help them learn.

"The lab has really helped me figure out how things work," says Sun, who is thinking about studying engineering at Cornell University in the future. "The theory made more sense after putting the pieces together myself."

Students are also working with the same kind of equipment found in many beginning engineering college-level courses.



PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Students learned how to use the oscilloscope in the engineering class at Andover High School.

"They'll be very comfortable in their first lab at college," Francis adds. "Because they'll know all the equipment in front of them."

Reversing the country's engineering shortage may take several years, says Metz, explaining that today's high school students won't complete advanced training until about 2015. But, she adds, if more schools followed the lead of AHS in pioneering early education programs for "homegrown" engineers, the future of science and technology would begin to appear much brighter.

ON CAMPUS

Alicia E. Shipula, a member of the class of 2006, was named to the dean's list for the first semester at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, N.H.

She is the daughter of Theresa R. D'Anna of Andover.

To be eligible for this honor, a student must compile a grade-point average of 3.0 or better.

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The Francis Ouimet Scholarship Fund announced that it has awarded local students college tuition assistance scholarships. The grants are part of the $700,000 the fund is awarding to 347 students representing 135 Massachusetts golf clubs and 145 colleges and universities for the 2004-05 academic year. The following Andover students have been named 2004-05 Ouimet Scholars:

Christopher Derby, class of 2007 at Bridgewater State College, Indian Ridge Country Club;

Ryan Durkin, class of 2008 at University of Massachusetts Amherst, Indian Ridge Country Club;

Christopher Elias, class of 2006 at Trinity College, Indian Ridge Country Club;

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BOOK REVIEWS

'But how can I find a good one?'

By John Chartier and James Caron



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

This week, 15-year-old Andover residents James Caron (left) and John Chartier give some informative tips on finding good books to read. The young men of letters launched their book reviews in the *Townsman's* Education pages in July 2003.

THERE IS CERTAINLY NO SHORTAGE of books on the market right now. It seems like new releases just keep coming in waves, one after another. At times, it may even be frustrating to find a book that might be interesting.

In our book reviews, we try to find a large selection of books that are very well written. Let us assure our readers that this has very little to do with luck, and very much to do with careful consideration. Fortunately for those who may not know how to pick a good book, there is a way to find good stories out there.

The most important thing, especially for those who may not read as much or as often as others, is to find a genre that seems interesting. A genre is a type of book that is usually unique in its plot, setting or way the characters act.

Whether that genre is science fiction, historical fiction, or even nonfiction, there are plenty of choices out there for even the pickiest of readers. Although a reader may have an idea of which genre is most appealing, we want to encourage everyone to browse a little while at a bookstore or library. Perhaps a new type of story will jump out.

A way to narrow down your search is to use the *New York Times* bestseller list. This lists the top books and their authors, and from here one can easily find summaries of those books on the Internet. This is a great way to figure out which books the most people are reading. There is also a list for children's books.

Along with using the *New York Times* bestseller list, one should also look at which books have been recognized by various awards. The Caldecott award, which is awarded for picture books, is one of the better known awards, along with the Newbery Medal award, which is given more for young adult books. The winners of these awards are always fantastic reads.

Once a reader has picked a desirable genre, the best thing to do is ask around. Which authors are considered to be the best in this area of writing? Feel free to ask friends, parents and even (*gasp!*) teachers for advice. Once you've picked an author, try taking a crack at one of his or her stories. If you don't like the book, don't feel compelled to finish it, although you should read enough to get a solid feel for the author's writing style. One can usually tell if he or she likes an author's writing style within two or three chapters.

Once you've found an author, a great way to discover more authors whose styles you like is to go to amazon.com, and find authors with similar styles. Just go to the page of a book by the author you like, and halfway down the page is a caption talking about which authors people who bought the book also like. This is a great way to find other authors.

Say, however, that you're in a bookstore one day but you haven't found an author whose style you like yet. How can you start to select a good book? Well, we'll tell you how *not* to select a good one. We've warned our readers time and time again that one of the ways publishers can get sales on a fairly poor book is to simply slap on an excellent cover. Thus, never judge a book by its cover! We've found that by wandering into such a trap, we've read some of the worst pieces of garbage ever written.

The one thing that a reader must do is read the plot summary (usually on the dust jacket or the back of the book) to find out if this is a story that appeals to him or her. If it does, crack it open and read a page or two. If you like the writing style of the author, you just might have found a good book.

Another great way to find a good book is to ask the advice of one of the clerks at the bookstore. We've found many people who work at bookstores to be extremely helpful

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ON CAMPUS

■ OUIMET SCHOLARS

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Michael Gibson, class of 2008 at Boston College, Indian Ridge Country Club;

Kyle Nally, class of 2008 at Saint Joseph's College, Indian Ridge Country Club;

Jonathan Ofria, class of 2005 at Boston College, Indian Ridge Country Club;

Timothy Redmond, class of 2008 at College of the Holy Cross, Indian Ridge Country Club; and

Patrick Twomey, class of 2008 at Boston College, Indian Ridge Country Club.

Candidates for a Ouimet Scholarship must have completed at least two years "service to golf" at a Massachusetts golf course as a caddie, pro shop worker or course superintendent staff.

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Stephen Sanborn, who teaches biology at Andover High School, earned his profession's top honor by achieving National Board Certification in 2004, according to the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS).

Sanborn, of Amesbury, has been teaching in Andover schools since 1996 and has been a science teacher for 17 years.

He holds a bachelor of arts degree in biology from Colby College and a master of education degree in secondary education from Plymouth State College.

Sanborn was one of 21 teachers in Massachusetts last year to earn NBPTS certification, and the only Massachusetts teacher to earn certification in the area of Adolescent/Young Adult Science, according to a press release.

How to find a good book to read

■ BOOK REVIEW

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in selecting a good book. Almost all of the people who work at bookstores are very avid readers and are more than willing to share their newest discovery with young adults.

So head on down to your local bookstore and pick up a copy of anything that looks good to you. We're confident that if you follow these tips, you'll be able to find a book that you love.

LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, March 28–April 1:

Elementary schools

Monday: Steak and cheese pocket, chocolate chip pancakes with sausage, pizza stick with soft pretzel, boxed breakfast, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Mozzarella stick with fries, baked chicken nuggets, pizza ring, bagels and string, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Beef raviolis with roll, nachos with taco meat and cheese sauce, personal pizza, chef's salad with garlic bread, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Chicken and gravy with potato and green beans, french toast with hash browns, hot dog on a roll, Trix Day, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Corn dog with puffs, slice of pizza, baked chicken nuggets, chicken caesar salad, fruit, veggie and milk.

Middle schools

Monday: Southwestern chicken wrap, stuffed crust pizza, spaghetti and meatballs, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Steak and cheese pocket, bakery pizza, chicken caesar salad, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Two tacos with rice, stuffed crust pizza, chicken mcschool, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Lasagna and meatballs, chef's salad with garlic bread, french toast with sausage, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Beef-and-cheese sub with fries, stuffed crust pizza, pita pocket, fruit, veggie and milk.

Andover High School

Monday: Two tacos with salsa, chicken, broccoli and ziti, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Oven-baked chicken with potato, lasagna, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Two egg McMuffins with hash browns, meatball sub, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Rib-b-ques over rice, spaghetti and meat sauce with roll, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Chicken and gravy over rice with corn, baked macaroni and cheese, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

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Opinion

No reason to cap discussion

AFTER YEARS OF PAYING extremely high rates to get rid of its trash, Andover will receive more than $2.4 million back from its trash-disposal facility. Although the "refund' might not come until 2006, town officials and residents have been debating how to use the money for months. In April, Town Meeting will be asked to vote on the issue.

This week, a new idea for the money was floated that is worthy of discussion.

Using the money to help keep trash costs low and encourage recycling – which also lowers trash expenses – remains a good idea. After 20 years of paying some of the highest trash-disposal expenses in the state, taxpayers deserve a break. But Public Works Director Jack Petkus' idea to use the money to cap the landfill off Ledge Road deserves to be part of the discussion.

The landfill was a place where the town chose to get rid of its trash. Part of the landfill was capped years ago, with dirt only, and has been used as playing fields. Today it is primarily used by the Andover Little League. At some point, Petkus says, that part of the landfill will need to be recapped. With land at a premium, and the town hoping to build a youth center nearby, there are also reasons to cap the rest of the landfill. This money could be used to improve or create more fields that would be accessible from a future center. Petkus has also talked about using some of the land for his department's needs.

Selectman John Hess is correct that the town should have a plan to handle the entire landfill site before it begins any work there. But the town has until 2006 before this trash-refund money will even be available. That's plenty of time to look into this idea further, and see if it makes sense for taxpayers, town sports fans and the youth center.

Web question

Favorite memory of Ford's?

Last week's *Townsman* Web-site question was: Four unopposed candidates - including three incumbents - are running for election in next Tuesday's annual town election. Will you bother to vote in this four-way uncontested contest? 23 people responded.

- 7 or 30 percent, said, "Yes, because voting is very important to me, regardless whether races are contested or not."
- 12, or 52 percent, said, "No, because it is a waste of my time. I see no reason to vote when everyone on the ballot is uncontested."
- 1 or 4 percent, said, "I'll try, but it depends on how I feel that day as uncontested political races are pretty dull."
- 2, or 4 percent, said, "I'll vote, but not for the candidates. I'll write-in a name."
- 1 or 4 percent, said, "Other."

This week's *Townsman* Web-site question is: **Tom Koravos, owner of the former Ford's Coffee Shop, died last week. For decades, his business was an Andover institution, closing in 1994. What do you remember most about Ford's?**

- The people who worked there.
- Talking politics.
- Hanging out there after school.
- The food.
- Nothing. I never ate there.
- Nothing. I moved here after it closed.
- Other.

To vote, surf to www.andovertownsman.com.

LETTERS POLICY

THE *Townsman* accepts letters to the editor from the community. Letters must be typed and no longer than two, double-spaced pages, or 650 words. All letter writers must include addresses and phone numbers with their letters. The phone numbers will not be published.

The paper reserves the right to edit letters at its discretion. Reasons for editing include editing for length, clarity and style.

Letters should be received by the *Townsman* by Monday at 5 p.m. for consideration in that week's paper. They may be sent by mail, fax or e-mail. Letters sent by e-mail should be sent to editor Neil Fater at nfater@andovertownsman.com.

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OUT ON A LIMB



PHOTO BY T.M. HAN

Adam Winship of Hartney Greymont Tree and Lawn Specialists gives one of the trees in the Park a little trim.

LETTERS

Keep pols out of my health care

Editor, *Townsman*:

Regarding the Terri Schiavo case, in my 20 years of practice, I have never seen a case where a physician allowed a patient to die (allowed nature to take its own course), unless it was the patient's desire to be allowed to die and both the patient's legal guardian and all the physicians involved in the case (there are usually two or more physicians involved in the care of potentially terminal patients) agreed that the decision was in the patient's best interest. To think that the politicians and courts are better stewards of the health care of our most vulnerable members of society flies in the face of everything that I have seen during my two decades in medicine. Further, it is an insult to the dedicated physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and nurses who have devoted their life to providing health care.

The principle of "family values" implies the federal government should have little or no role in enforcing its moral authority over the rights of an individual or family to look after its best interests. As a practicing physician, I am appalled our politicians have so gleefully set aside the principle of "family values" because they believe it is the politically expedient thing to do. They should be ashamed of their behavior.

I wish to make it publicly known that if I suffer a medical problem, from which there is no reasonable chance for me to return to an intellectually satisfying existence and resume my role as a productive member of society, I do not want to be kept alive through the use of cardiopulmonary support, renal dialysis, nutritional support, fluid support or the use of antibiotics. I want my health-care providers to allow nature to take its own course. I also request that the courts and political system do not become involved in my medical care and leave all the medical decisions to my health-care providers.

Hayward Zwerling, MD
10 Coventry Lane

Plowing plaudits

Editor, *Townsman*:

It has been a tough, snowy and blustery winter. I just want to publicly congratulate the town for a wonderful job keeping our roads plowed, sanded and salted. Also, many snow-plowers managed to keep my driveway from being blocked and preserved my mailbox, a difficult job when driving through the wind and snow.

As bad as the winter has been, they have all made it more tolerable.

George LeMaitre
8 Sunset Rock Road

Then, now: A candidate shortage

In Andover, 1986 and 2005 are alike because there is no opposition to the people running for local offices.

In 1986, I wrote the following. (I have added some 2005 thoughts at the end.)

WHY AREN'T PEOPLE RUNNING for Andover public office?

The quick and easy answer is that times are good and serious problems are rare. Very few feel the passion to run. But that's only part of the answer; there is more to it than that.



Bill Dalton

The reason that people don't run is that the rewards don't outweigh the penalties of running for and holding public office. There are few people who will analyze the question of whether to run or not and come out on the positive side — very few, indeed.

Here's why:

There is the potential embarrassment of losing. Who wants to stand on street corners smiling, waving signs, and begging for votes? If you win, such silliness might be worth it. If you lose, no matter how many people congratulate you for doing your civic duty, you are the loser.

Second, there is a general negativism toward people in public office, manifested by the public and news media. Praise is faint while blame resounds. The fact of the matter is, most people are not thick-skinned enough to take public criticism, and why should they be? It's bad enough to be chastised at home or at work; to be criticized in public is too much for most folks, and who can blame them?

For people thinking of running for public office, it just isn't worth the hassle. In Andover, there is no financial incentive to hold public office. Elected local officials aren't paid or are paid a pittance, so there must be other than monetary reasons for wanting to hold office. Trouble is, in 1986, apparently those other reasons aren't enough.

Now, my 2005 thoughts. Economic theory, since the time of Adam Smith, the founder of economics, works on the basis of the "rational person" theory.

In a nutshell, the theory says that, given the options available to the rational person, he will pick the option that is most in his self interest.

So, if self sacrifice is your shtick, if altruism gives you a rush, if you like being in the center of the action, if you think that a minor office might lead to another bigger one, if you like the arena, if you are mad as heck and won't take it anymore, if you want the status of holding office, whatever personal reason you might have to run for office, go for it and good luck to you.

One commentator in last week's *Townsman* criticized the electorate for the fact that no one was running for office. I don't think criticizing citizens for not running is helpful to an analysis as to why people won't run. Citizens are choosing or excluding options that best serve their own self interest.

Most people in Andover don't run for office because they are not "motivated" to do so. Citizens weigh the risks and rewards. Most all people think the risk is greater than the reward, and it is not in their self interest to run.

Ask yourself a simple question: what would change that?

▶ *Bill Dalton held public office is Andover from 1973 to 1978 and again from 1982 to 1988.*

NEW SENIOR CENTER

Seniors need space, socialization that center can provide

Editor, *Townsman*:

Four years ago, I was asked to lead a group of seniors at the senior center who wanted to sing as a chorus. I had no idea what I was getting into but since I had just had a career change and had some available time I decided I had nothing to lose. It has turned into one of the great joys of my life.

The SunRise Singers started out with 12 folks who wanted to sing. Try as we might, we had trouble singing in unison. Three months later we were ready for our first concert, a lunch-time program to be held at the senior center. A hundred of the group's friends and family purchased tickets. The biggest problem was that the piano didn't fit through the door of the room that would hold our audience, so I had to borrow a keyboard from Free Christian Church while the beautiful baby grand sat in the other room.

As we improved, so did our need for performance. This time we wanted to do something intergenerational and we went to the Memorial Hall Auditorium. Some of the seniors found it hard to climb the stairs to get into the building and others found the handicapped ramp a very long walk up-hill.

They didn't complain about those things because they were more nervous about being on the stage. But I saw their difficulty in being away from the center.

Today we have 30 members. We only rehearse for an hour a week because of scheduling limitations at the senior center. Sometimes I arrange rehearsal space at Free Christian Church when we need extra time.

So far I have written about the physical limitations that the center has for our specific group. I'd like to mention a few of the quality-of-life changes that have happened for some seniors because of their opportunity to be part of our group.

The SunRise Singers are typical of most seniors, with a cross section of people who have a zest for life and those who are struggling to get by.

One lady told me she was pushed into joining our chorus after her husband passed away. Her children thought she was too depressed and needed to get out of the house. She was stooped over when she began and had a frightened expression on her face. A year later, she was the first one to volunteer to go wherever our performances were taking us. Another gentleman has survived lung cancer and had part of his lung removed. He often tells me I have no idea how much being part of this group has changed the quality of his life. (He sings solos for us!)

Several members have told me they get out of their sick beds because this is the only activity in their lives that is fun and gives them joy. Others tell me they just like to sing and there's no place else for them to go with their rickety knees to sing with their friends.

On a personal level, when my dad was sick and went into a nursing home and eventually passed away, the senior center had services available to me (the daughter) that helped me get through the ordeal. In addition, there is so much unconditional love flowing through the building through the staff and seniors that when I leave each week, I am uplifted and blessed.

Statistically, it is proven that children need socialization to thrive. My experiences at the senior center have taught me that growing is not limited to younger people. But seniors have fewer places to get that socialization.

After witnessing the spirit of life coupled with the attention to special needs that the senior center offers, I strongly urge taxpayers to vote for a new center for these people. One day we will all benefit from this move since none of us are getting any younger.

Linda Kirk
7 Crescent Drive
Director, SunRise Singers

OBITUARIES

Thomas L. Koravos

Andover fixture ran Ford's Coffee Shop on Main St. for 40 years

Thomas L. Koravos, 85, of Andover, died Friday, March 18 at Lawrence General Hospital.

He owned and operated Ford's Coffee Shop on Main Street in Andover with his wife, Stella, and family for 40 years, from 1954 to 1994.



Thomas L. Koravos

Born in Lowell, Mr. Koravos was a graduate of Lowell High School.

He served in the Marines during World War II.

He was a member of the Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church in Lowell and Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Andover, as well as St. Matthew Masonic Lodge in Andover.

Members of his family include his wife, Stella (Martakos) Koravos; daughter, Olivia Sintros and her husband, Spiros, of Andover; son, Lewis Koravos of Lake Bluff, Ill.; sister, Mary Koravos of Lowell; brothers Christos Koravos of Auburn, N.H., and Vincent Koravos of Arizona; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church, Mortgage Elimination Fund, Fr. Sarantos Way, Lowell, MA 01854.

Arrangements were by O'Donnell Funeral Home, 276 Pawtucket St., Lowell.

Walter F. Muller

Owned Andover Cordials

Walter F. Muller, 88, of Andover died Sunday, March 20 at Kenoza Manor Nursing Home in Haverhill.

He was born in Lawrence. Mr. Muller was the former owner of Andover Cordials, and later worked and retired from the town of Andover after 10 years.

He was a member of St. Matthews Lodge, where he was a member for more than 50 years, and Order of the Eastern Star.

A veteran of World War II, he served in the US Army, earning five Battle Stars and Quartergear.

He was the widower of Hazel G. (Terhune) Muller.

Members of his family include his daughter, Lynda Prenaveau and her husband Roland of Lawrence; a brother, Herbert Muller of Andover; six grandchildren including Terri Feole with whom he resided; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his daughter, Karen L. (Muller) Nowell.

A funeral service will be held today, Thursday, March 24 at 10 a.m. at Burke-Magliozzi Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, March 23 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home. A Masonic service was scheduled for Wednesday, March 23 at 8 p.m.

Cremation will take place at Linwood Crematory, with a committal service being held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kenoza Manor Nursing Home, Activities Department, 190 North Ave., Haverhill, MA 01830.

Edward Fitzgerald

Worked in the solid waste industry for 30 years

Edward Fitzgerald of Andover and formerly of Medford, died Thursday, March 17, in an accident.

Mr. Fitzgerald grew up in Medford and graduated from Medford High School in 1971. He was the founder of Action Waste Services of Woburn and had worked in the solid waste industry for 30 years.

Family members said he was a devoted father, uncle and friend who loved to ski and enjoyed being with his family and circle of friends.

Members of his family include his wife of 26 years, Linda (Ross) Fitzgerald; daughters, Katherine Anne, Cristin Ross, and Alexandra Ross Fitzgerald, all of Andover; sisters, Barbara Colangeli of Andover and Ann Fitzgerald of Medford; brother, Mark Fitzgerald of Andover; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main St., Medford.

OBITUARIES

The *Townsman* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice.

Questions? Call Jack Grady or Neil Fater at 978-475-7000.

Rita M. DeMarco

Homemaker enjoyed reading, sports, children

Rita M. (Moore) DeMarco, 88, of Andover, died Sunday, March 20, at Lawrence General Hospital following a brief illness. She was the wife of the late Dr. Paul A. DeMarco Jr., who died in 1989.

Born in Wakefield, she moved to Lawrence as a young girl following the death of her father. She graduated from St. Rita's Grammar School and St. Mary's High School.

Before her marriage, she was employed at Joubert's Diner and A.B. Sutherland Co. After her marriage, she became a homemaker and devoted herself to her family.

Mrs. DeMarco was an avid reader, sometimes reading as many as five books a week. She prided herself on completing difficult crossword puzzles, which she did with ease. She was a fan of many sports, but she especially enjoyed football. She also looked forward to spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who were a source of great joy to her.

Members of her family include her sons, Dr. Paul A. DeMarco III of Andover and Justin R. DeMarco and his wife, Marie D., of Andover; daughters, Margaret C. West and her husband, Lawrence H., of Dracut and Laurie A. Lawlor of Methuen; brother, James Moore and his wife, Anna, of New London, N.H.; sisters-in-law, Claire B. DeMarco of Methuen, Claire DeMarco of Lawrence and Inge Moore of Cordova, Tenn.; brother-in-law, Donald Look of Boulder, Colo.; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was also the sister of the late Kathleen (Moore) Collins, Mona (Moore) Look and John Moore.

At the request of the family, there were no calling hours, and private services were held.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lawrence General Hospital Building Fund, One General Street, Lawrence, MA 01842.

DEATHS

Rita M. DeMarco, 88
Edward Fitzgerald
Thomas L. Koravos, 85
Walter F. Muller, 88
Evelyn Risseeuw, 94
Frances M. Scully, 90

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

RISSEEUW — Evelyn (Gerhardt) Risseeu, 94, of Sister Bay, Wis., died Wednesday, March 16. Members of her family include her son, Dean Risseeuw, his wife, Nancy, and grandchildren, Philipp and Pamela Risseeuw, all of Andover.

SCULLY — Frances M. (Hart) Scully, 90, of North Andover, died Tuesday, March 15. Members of her family include her grandchildren, Abigail Hart Scully and James F. Scully Jr., both of Andover.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

75 Years Ago – 1930

Dorothy Boyce, daughter of Mrs. Frederick M. Boyce of Main Street, was the winner of the Loyal League Medal offered by the Phoebe Foxcroft Phillips Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution. She won for the best essay written by a pupil of the eighth grade, on "Why should Andover take part in the Tercentenary Celebration?"

Miss Florence Bilodeau, a student at Colby College, is spending two weeks' vacation at her home.

Miss Ella Holt expects to begin her Annual Easter sale April 7 at the Chinese Gift Shop, 38 Maple Ave. Tel. 63.

Charles P. Rea celebrated his 84th birthday Sunday at his home on Park Street. Mr. Rea was the engineer of the first steam fire engine purchased by the Town of Andover and is the town's oldest living fireman.

The annual minstrel show under the auspices of the ways and means committee of the Andover Fraternal Building Association will be held in Fraternal Hall shortly after Easter. John Cladwell is directing the cast and Mrs. Kerr Sparks is at the piano during the rehearsals.

William J. Burns is ill with pneumonia at his home on Summer Street.

A rummage sale will be held in the Baptist Church vestry on Saturday, April 5, starting at 10 a.m. and continuing through the day. Articles may be left at the vestry Friday evening, April 4.

A gang of young men who have been perpetrating a series of thefts at Phillips Academy have been identified, according to Chief of Police Frank M. Smith. Goods including football outfits, shoe skates, a coat, vest, sweater, candy and cigarettes have been recovered. The names of eight boys are recorded at the Andover Police Station and according to the police chief, these boys will be called upon to appear in Lawrence District court to answer to charges of breaking, entering and larceny.

50 Years Ago – 1955

Whether teachers are to be paid weekly or semi-monthly was debated by the School Committee Tuesday night, but without decision.

As the late March weather at mid-week changed for the better and increasing signs of spring became evident, the Easter shopping pace in Andover was greatly stepped up. Men, women and children were in the downtown area securing their needs for the joyous Easter morn to come on April 10.

The Punchard High school gym team will present its annual exhibition Friday evening, April 4 at 7:30. The program will include coordination drills, gymnastics, dances, apparatus and trampoline routines. The featured production will be the "Tableaux in Gold," to be staged by the seniors on the team. As an added attraction, the Wellesley High School gym team will appear as guests on the program.

The Shawsheen Motor Mart will furnish two police cruisers and a station wagon for the town. Selectmen awarded the contracts to that firm Monday night after receiving bids on the three vehicles.

The Andover Sportsman's Club Inc. will enjoy the annual dinner at the clubhouse on Saturday, April 9. A beef pie dinner will be served at 7 p.m. sharp, and this will be followed by a program of entertainment, after which there will be general dancing until midnight.

The Senior Youth Group was host to about 60 girls and boys of the Lynn district Methodist Youth Fellowship on Sunday afternoon. A worship service was held in the Methodist church auditorium. A speech contest on "World Peace" was held and Miss Joanne Sanborn of Wilmington was the winner.

25 Years Ago – 1980

Only a handful of spectators were waiting in the rotunda of Town Hall on Monday night, when the returns started going up shortly after 8:30, a precinct at a time. Amid comments of "I never saw one like this," and "Gee, it's awfully quiet," Asst. Town Clerk Olga Palenski posted the unofficial totals shortly after 9.

The state had good news for Andover last week: a new interchange at Lowell Junction and an upgraded interchange at River Road ranked second and third among the state's priorities for improving access to Interstate 93. The priorities were set after an extensive study by the State Department of Public Works on improving access to 1-93 from Woburn to the New Hampshire border.

The Conservation Commission warns that an outbreak of gypsy moths is anticipated in Andover this summer, particularly in the eastern part of town – east of the Route 125 Bypass and including Harold Parker Forest.

Plots are now being reserved for the 1980 growing season in the Community Gardens, off Brundrett Avenue. For further information, contact the Dept. of Community Development and Planning.

A public hearing to provide information on the proposed Andover Wetlands Bylaw, Article 47 on the Town Meeting Warrant, has been set for 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in the conference room of the Theatre Building, 11 Essex St.

The owners of Olde Andover Village on Main Street would like to buy a wooded lot from the town to build a 50-space parking lot, but neighborhood residents last week told selectment that plan would "hurt a lot of people who take pride in their homes." The 24,800 square foot lot, currently used as a water retention area by the town, runs from Main Street along the current Olde Andover Village property and into the wooded area behind the current village parking lot.

10 Years Ago – 1995

Using phone calls, postcards and poll checking, Barry Finegold out-hustled, outspent and ultimately unseated 12-year incumbent Charles Wesson to garner a seat on Andover's Board of Selectmen Monday. Finegold's 2,089 town-election votes earned him a place next to incumbent Jerry Silverman on the board, and knocked off Wesson and challenger Bill Coderre.

– Compiled by WHAT'S UP contributor Noelle Petrillo

Town remembers former Ford's owner

■ **TOM KORAVOS**

Continued from page 1

you open again?"

"It was like Cheers, where everyone knew your name," she said of the coffee shop's appeal. "My parents saw babies in high chairs, gave them a lollipop after the meal, and watched them grow up."

Many locals were among the several hundred people who attended Monday night's four-hour wake and Tuesday's funeral service, both held in Lowell. The mercy meal was held at Indian Ridge Country Club in Andover and 55 cars took part in the funeral procession.

As the family returned home after the services on Tuesday, Jay Leno telephoned with his sympathies and talked fondly about his high school afternoons spent at Ford's.

There was no fast food in town back then, so teens regularly went to Ford's for a hamburger and fries after school.

"Jay talked about how patient my father was with all those teenagers and how it was like *Happy Days* back then," said Sintros, who worked at the coffee shop for many years. "It was, and my dad was Arnold."

The late Hollywood actor Robert Urich was a regular when he lived in town and actor Michael Chiklis also stopped by often.

When the late Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis was in town to visit her son, John F. Kennedy Jr. at Phillips Academy, she would sit at the counter to enjoy a cup of tea.

"My father didn't bother her as he was very respectful," Sintros said.

The Koravoses did not accept personal checks, but Sintros remembers one exception.

"I remember when my mom was the cashier and a Phillips Academy student had a check to pay for his lunch," she recalled. "Turned out it was John F. Kennedy Jr., so she took it."

Tom Koravos' strong work ethic was well known at other downtown businesses.

"He was a hardworking guy and an honest guy who succeeded in the restaurant business," said George Dukas, longtime owner of the Lantern Brunch in Olde Andover Village.

Tucker said Koravos "personified what people mean when they talk about this country's greatest generation."

"He was hard-working, community-spirited, family-oriented and sacrificed for his family and country," she said. "He is very much missed in Andover."

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Arts & Entertainment



"5 Sashes" — The five finalists of Mr. AHS and their sponsors await the judges' decision. From left are: Alyssa Wallace, Matt Colbert, Kerry Haugh, Xavier Gath, Sara Kwolyk, Brad Durkin, Shauna McManus, Mike Anciello, Michelle Chan and Sami Islam.

Crowning Mr. AHS

Brad Durkin wins 13th annual pageant over 15 rivals

By Noelle Petrillo
What's Up contributor

Who would ever have thought the most popular pageant in Andover High School history would involve 16 wild and crazy teenage boys? Last Friday, March 11 in the Collins Center, 16 talented young men went to battle to compete for this year's Mr. AHS title, the 13th such annual competition.

What does it take to win the golden crown? This year it was a dizzying mixture of male swimsuit models, beat boxing, three-dimensional dancing, comical costumes, surprise love songs and soaring backflips.

The contestants gave it their all on stage to fight for a spot in the top five finalists. At the end of the night, Brad Durkin was crowned Mr. AHS of 2005.

Matt Colbert was awarded first runner-up, with Sami Islam taking the second runner-up prize. "Winning it was great because of the title, and it's fun to joke around about it. I had a great time during the show. It was lots of work but being around our friends made it a blast," Durkin said.

The show opened with an introductory video titled "The Real World: Andover" starring last year's Mr. AHS contestants. The 2004 crew also performed a funky doo-wop song for the audience before the competition began.

Students commented that this year's talent competition was "one of the most intense challenges Mr. AHS has ever seen" and "wowed the audience."

The show's highlights included musical talents such as guitar, vocals, bass solos, drums, dancing, beat boxing, keyboarding and saxophone. Contestant Jeremy Hogan even demonstrated a fiddle versus banjo battle on stage. Others performed skits such as the parody of the well-known *American Idol*. Second runner-up Sami Islam awed the crowd with his backflips and flexibility.

First runner-up Matt Colbert won judges over with his intricate juggling skills.

In a Mr. AHS tradition, the contest includes a dance number performed by all contestants. This year performers danced to Usher's *Yeah* in their black tuxedoes and clever hats. The AHS Dance Club also performed a number before intermission.

Hosts Ned Berger and Becky Christoforo amused the audience with their quick humor and wit. Andover teachers Michelle Chachus and Pam Vose sponsored the event.

The show concluded with last year's winner, Jeremy Peterman, handing over his crown to Durkin.

"It was an awesome opportunity to get to be a part of Mr. AHS, one that I definitely enjoyed. We were all so pleased with how greatly the show came together," said Tiana McQuade, sponsor of contestant Jordan Boehler.

"Monday in school we all talked about how much we enjoyed it and how fun it was. Me and the guys are planning a weekend bowling reunion just so we can get together again," Durkin said.

Overall, students said that this year's Mr. AHS competitors were "high energy," "multi-talented," and "over-the-top funny."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to a software glitch during the production process last week, the story above did not print in its entirety. It is reproduced in full this week.

Senior center is the new place for some...

Midday square dancing

By Andrea Gregory

"Grab your partner and do-si-do..."

Patty Greene plans to call out well-known dance commands every Tuesday at the Andover Senior Center starting in April.

The midday dance sessions will offer a new social outlet with positive effects, said Greene.



Patty Greene calls out commands with the Ghost Riders Square Dance Band. Greene will be at the Andover Senior Center every Tuesday in April.

"Square dancing is actually great exercise both physically and mentally. It's great for the mind and body," she said, adding "For seniors, it is a really good non-threatening exercise you can do."

The dancing is not hard, said Greene, who claims if you can walk, you can square dance.

All people need is a desire to have a good time and, before they know it, there will be a little rhythm in their step.

According to Pat Becker, Andover Senior Center program director, transforming the Senior Center cafeteria into a dance floor came at the request of several Andover seniors.

Greene said she has hosted a few senior center square dancing events in Andover before. She said she is pleased that the community wants to see her again, on a regular basis.

Greene claims she brings a high level of enthusiasm to the stage. She admits she really gets into it – and hopes her high energy level is contagious.

"I've never been accused of being quiet," she said.

Almost everyone has been through promenade, but square dancing has evolved since the forced lessons most people took in junior high, she said.

"It's not just the scratchy records in a gym any more," she said.

Just don't expect to see any cowboy decorations. And you can leave those overalls in the back of the closet where they probably belong.

"There will be no hay stacks," she promises.

The music has also come a long way. Bowing to your partner and bowing to your corner don't have to be set to an old-school country beat.

In Greene's classes there will be rock 'n' roll, some oldies favorites, big band and, of course, some country.

But Greene said she likes to mix it up.

In 1991, the Salem, N.H. resident graduated from a square dance class with her husband. Before that, it had been a long time since she had given much serious thought to this type of dance. She said her first do-si-do was done in her adolescent years, and she really hadn't thought it would figure so much in her adult life. She said her husband's parents are big square dancers. They really pressed Greene and her husband to give it a whirl.

She began calling in 1996.

"It's pretty much a cross-generational activity," she said.

The Andover square dance sessions start Tuesday, April 5 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. and continue every Tuesday for the rest of the month. If there is enough local interest, square dancing will become a regular activity at the senior center. The cost per class is $4 at the door. And anyone can come with or without a dance partner. "My hope is to get a group that will keep dancing all together," said Greene. "The square dancing tag is 'friendship set to music.' Come and join us. You'll have a great time."

GET IT STARTED

COURTESY PHOTO



The Andover High School Dance Club presents its sixth annual performance, "Get it Started," next Friday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Collins Center. Pieces range from hip-hop to jazz to Indian folk dance; all are student-choreographed. Tickets ($3) are available at the door. Public welcome.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, March 24



Mary McGarry Morris

Author reading and book signing, Mary McGarry Morris will read from her new book *The Lost Mother*, 7 p.m. at the Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; Karen Harris 800-491-0143.

"Hire Right the First Time," a presentation by Kevin Laurendeau, director of human resources for Corporate Express, designed to help hone interviewing skills and other steps in making the right hiring decisions, sponsored by the Human Resources Association of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, 11:45 a.m.–2 p.m., $25 members, $35 non-members, price includes luncheon, The Chateau Restaurant, 131 River Road; reservations 978-686-0900.

Friday, March 25 / Good Friday

Annual Good Friday Prayer Walk, two-mile route from St. Augustine Church to West Middle School, via Stevens Street to Marland Place, the Post Office, Main Street to the war memorial, Old Town Hall, Town Offices on Bartlet Street, back to St. Augustine's via South Church, with readings and prayers along the way, hot cross buns and coffee served at 8:15 a.m., the walk starts about 8:30 a.m. outside St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., free, all are welcome to participate in any portion they can manage; Roselle or David Heckendorn 978-470-2651

Saturday, March 26

Andover storyteller, Magdalen Cantwell will invite the audience to join in Irish stories, songs, and games, 1 p.m., $10, children $5, Jimmy Tingle's Off Broadway Theater, 255 Elm St., Davis Square, Somerville; tickets at 617-591-1616, information at 978-470-1885 or www.jtoffbroadway.com.

Tea and Scones with the Artists, meet and talk to the creators of "Self-Portraits: Inside and Out," final day of this juried exhibition selected from international

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ANDOVER JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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*** Date ***

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2005

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*** Time ***



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Grades 4th through 7th — 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

*** Fee ***

FOOTBALL — $160.00 per child

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New registrants need a copy of their birth certificate, all players need a copy of their health forms. Players do not need to attend — weigh-ins will be in the fall.

8TH GRADERS TRAVEL FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING TEAMS

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Information meeting about the travel teams for parents and future 8th graders at 8:00 in the West Middle School Cafeteria.

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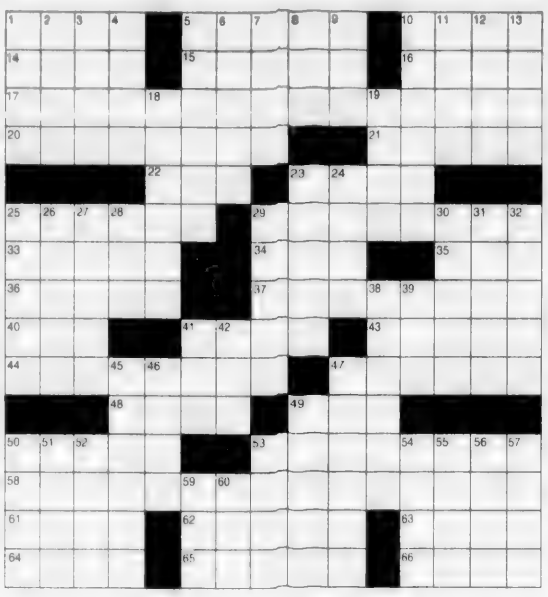
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33. Do without
34. Nimble
35. In the past
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37. Provencal verses
40. Compass pt.
41. Horn
43. A way to rinse
44. Brotherhood
47. Named
48. The back side of the neck
49. Rock rabbit, for one
50. Separated
53. Apartment building
58. Evasive answer
61. Type of tree
62. The third hour, about 9 a.m.
63. Skin disease
64. The seed of an Asiatic legume
65. Erectile organs
66. Type of hepatic infarction

CLUES DOWN

1. Declines
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3. Fail to retain
4. Magnoliopsid genus
5. __ May, actress
6. Type of perennials
7. Belongs to famous computer
8. Tropical American cuckoo
9. Ethnic group of China
10. Persons
11. Jacques __, German physiologist
12. Norse goddess of old age
13. Pop
18. Arouses
19. Take to one's heels
23. Karel __, Czech writer
24. Substitutes, abbr.
25. Counterparts
26. Carthaginian statesman
27. Made grainy
28. Marsh elder
29. Saucy
30. Small wildcat
31. Chalcedony
32. Having a nose (either literal or metaphoric) esp. of a specified kind
38. Make a fuzzy surface
39. Having a slight but often persistent bodily disorder or disease
41. The top point of a mountain or hill
42. Shoshonean language
45. Deficiency of red blood cells
46. Burden
47. Hosts film festival
49. Defrost
50. Drains
51. Bird genus
52. Every seven days, abbr.
53. Small lake
54. Picasso's mistress
55. A way to make into a print
56. Spanish baby
57. A figure that branches from a single root
59. Occurs in muscle tissue
60. Command right

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entries, including Andover fiber artist Laura Gawlinski, 3 p.m. free, Ayer Lofts Art Gallery, 172 Middle St., Lowell; Mandy Shear 617-335-0230 or ayerlofts.com/exhibits.

Easter Sunday, March 27

Purim Celebration, sponsored by the local chapter of Hadassah and Temple Emanuel of Andover, welcomes spring with a costume contest, crafts, raffles, prizes, refreshments, and the magical storytelling of Bonnie Greenberg, 1–3 p.m., Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road; Debbie Goldstein 978-749-8065.

Monday, March 28

No events listed.

Tuesday, March 29

No events listed.

Wednesday, March 30

Music Together in Andover, a 45-minute demonstration class by Music Together, a national research-based early childhood music development program, 10 a.m., free, call to reserve space, Dance Infusion Studios, 19 Lupine Road; Rosemary Halloran 978-688-3326.

Thursday, March 31

"The Indulgence Drawing," Lucy Bernardin of Andover is training for her second 100-mile bike ride with Biking Towards a Cure to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, "The Indulgence Drawing" is her fundraiser for the event and offers chances to win various prizes, including a grand prize of "Dinner Out Once a Week for a Year," gift certificates, overnight stays and more, prize drawings 7:15 p.m. as part of the introduction of the new spring watch and jewelry collections and a wine-tasting event, 5–8 p.m., tickets $10, Royal Jewelers, 58 Main St.; 978-475-3330.

Friday, April 1

Get It Started, Andover High School Dance Club presents its 6th annual performance, featuring pieces ranging from jazz to Indian folk dance, all student choreographed, 7:30 p.m., $3 at the door, Collins Center; Kim Bergey 978-623-8655.

April Fool's story swap, fun, frivolity, and foolishness, 7 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Andover High School Casino Night, with dinner, dancing, silent auction, and raffles in addition to casino tables, proceeds to benefit the after school clubs at the high school, which have more than 1,000 students participating, 7 p.m.–midnight, Andover Country Club, tickets $50; Lisa McDonald 978-475-9397.

Saturday, April 2

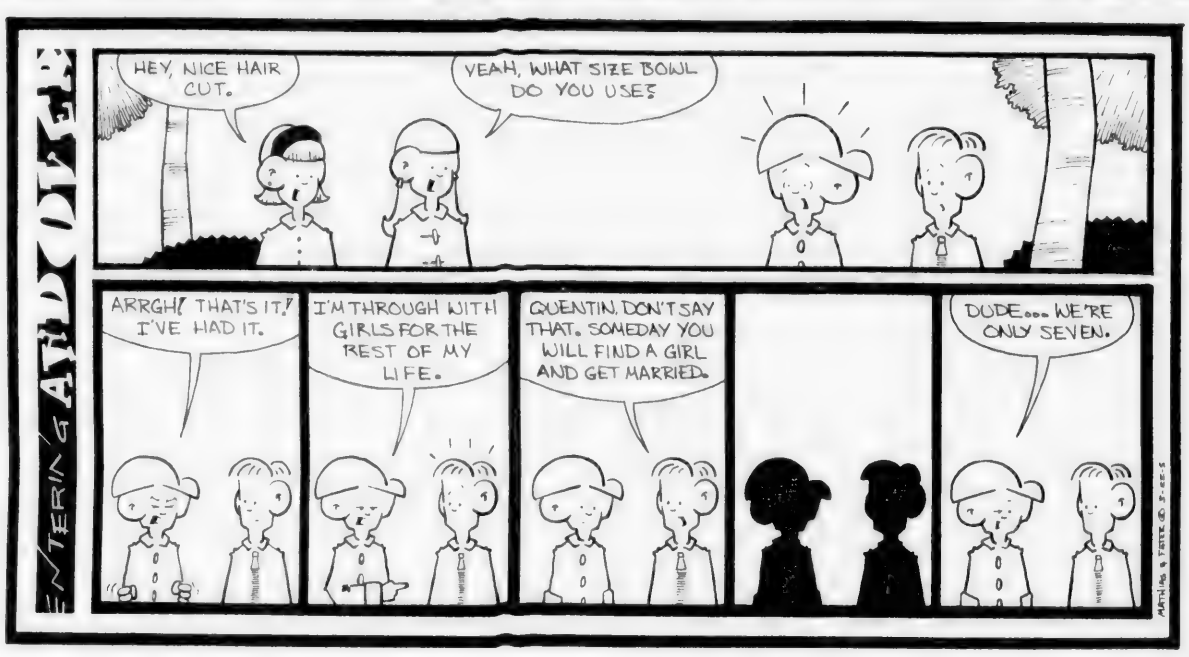
Spring Fling at the YMCA, 12th annual drug and chemical-free, fun-filled middle school event for all sixth, seventh and eighth grade Andover students from Doherty, West, Wood Hill, St. Augustine's, Pike and Montessori, sponsored by the Andona Society (who will act as chaperones) and the Andover/North Andover YMCA, featuring Bungee Run, DJ, dancing, mat room, swimming, and door prizes, 8–10:30 p.m., $10 per student includes pizza, soda, snacks and all activities; Adele Manty 978-475-4075.

Evening of conversation with Dr. Avi Lebenthal, a board-certified surgeon in Israel who is clinically licensed in the US, and is completing a clinical fellowship at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, sponsored by the Southern Merrimack Valley Chapter of Hadassah, members encouraged to bring a guest, 7 p.m., 6 Newman Hill Drive; reservations Joanne Jawitz 978-475-7091 or Amy Sebell 978-269-2236.

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the popular interactive dinner theater production performs one night only to benefit Merrimack College's chapter of Best Buddies, an international nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of intellectually disabled individuals by providing one-to-one friendships, 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.), tickets $45 each, Multipurpose Room, Sakowich Center, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; 978-837-5508.

Book and author brunch, 10th annual AAUW Authors Brunch with three area authors in support of the American Association of University Women's fund to further graduate education for women. authors are Frank Schaeffer (*Keeping the Faith, Voices from the Front*, the Calvin Becker trilogy), Irish novelist Áine Greaney (*The Big House*), and fantasy writer John Theo (*The Grotto Under the Tree*). tickets $20, 50 Four-Mile Road, Boxford; reservations 978-352-8931.

Craft fair, sponsored by the Dracut High School Band Boosters, featuring many crafters, some spaces still available, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., Dracut High School, 1540 Lakeview Ave., Dracut; 978-957-5287 or 978-459-8876.

Sunday, April 3

Symphony by the Sea, spring concert led by Music Director Jonathan McPhee, featuring David Diamond's *Rounds for String Orchestra*, Schumann's *Cello Concerto*, Haydn's *Symphony No. 7 ("Le Midi")*, and Ibert's *Divertissement*, 3 p.m., $25, $10 students (with student ID), Governor Dummer Academy, Byfield; tickets 978-745-4955 or www.symphonybythesea.org.

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WHAT'S UP

Java Jam serves up art

Andover Youth Council event tonight at Old Town Hall

By By Alex Ortstein
ANDOVER YOUTH COUNCIL

Tonight, Thursday, March 24, the Andover Youth Council will host an evening of musical delight, artistic expression, hot coffee and GORP (good ol' raisins and peanuts).

The much anticipated Java Jam will provide a comfortable and relaxing enviroment to be the ideal kickoff to your three-day weekend.

There will be acoustic music, spoken word and short stories from Andover High School students and teachers, as well as fantastic artwork.

The Java Jam will be held at the Old Town Hall, 20 Main St. Doors for this event will be at 7 p.m. and admission is only $6.

Come by to relax with friends, enjoy some coffee and maybe... perform on stage.

The Youth Council would also like to remind you to be on the lookout for "hypnoTWOde: The return of the SandMan," coming soon to an Old Town Hall near you; actually, very close to you, probably the same Old Town Hall you've come to know and love.

For more information, call the Andover Youth Services office at 978-623-8241, or check out the Web site www.andoveryouthservices.com.

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Sports

VARSITY TRYOUTS

Making the final cut

Being accepted, feeling left out – athletes try out for teams

By Rita Savard

When Elizabeth "Libby" Fortier started her freshman year at Andover High, she was looking for a place to fit in.

A seasoned gymnast, Libby thought she would find her niche as a member of the high school cheerleading squad.

But after tryouts, Libby found that her name was missing from the team roster.

"At first I was really disappointed," she remembers. "It was hard feeling left out."

Four years later, Libby is in her senior year and getting ready to accept her 12th varsity letter – a feat that coaches say "doesn't happen everyday."

The unexpected twists and turns marking four memorable years at Andover High, says Libby, are a chain reaction that resulted from not making the squad.

As hundreds of new and returning students try out for spring sports at the high school this week, Libby's path serves as a reminder that not making the team could be "the best thing for you."

In an attempt to pick her spirits back up, Libby thought she'd test out some new waters.

Some friends suggested she try out for diving.

"I figured, why not," she says. "I had nothing else to lose."

In the fall of her freshman year, Libby was selected as a diver for the swim team, but, she admits, didn't look much like a pro to start.

But scoring a slot on a six-year consecutive state championship team, was incentive enough for her to set her own challenges and then rise up to meet them.

After swim season ended, Libby joined the high school gymnastics team in the winter. And after a stellar stint on that team, she went back for more by signing up for track and field in the spring.

Although track is an open roster sport, accepting all students who want to join doesn't make it any less challenging than teams with competitive tryouts, says coach Peter Comeau.

Standing in front of more than 50 new faces in the high school cafeteria on Tuesday, Comeau gave a crash-course introduction on the first two weeks of track, which coaches refer to as "organized chaos."

The beginning of the season calls for endurance training, establishing routines and placement testing for approximately 300 students to help them utilize their best skills in a given area that can include jumping hurdles, sprinting, relays, javelin, discus throwing and pole vaulting.



PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Coach Mike Wartman conducted spring sports tryouts and a practice session Tuesday afternoon on the tennis courts at Andover High School.

"Anything you do requires hard work and pain, and can sometimes stink in the beginning," warned Comeau.

While students will undergo a series of physical tests, pole vaulting is not required.

"You've got to be crazy to be a pole vaulter," Comeau joked. "Anyone who wants to run 30 yards carrying a pole that's 10 to 12 feet long at full-speed, then plant it in a box before flinging themself over a barrier - and hopefully landing on the padded mat – has to be a little screwy."

It was another sport that Libby managed to master.

"She was raw at first," recalls Comeau. "And she didn't come into it with open arms. It took a lot of encouraging but she really progressed over time. Now she has the potential to hit 10 feet (high)."

After completing her freshman year, Libby earned a varsity letter in all three sports, a trend that she has continued each year since.

While Libby's achievements are outstanding, Comeau jokingly adds that in some cases the all-star athlete is "abnormal."

Realistically, says the coach, not every kid is going to become a star player. And that's OK, because that is not what high school sports is truly about.



Libby Fortier, cut from the cheerleading squad, is mastering the pole vault.

"What's important to you?" Comeau asks. "Everyone has their own idea of what they wish to accomplish. Don't give up on yourself."

Sophomore Jason Dashtpeyma, 16, did exactly that.

Not making the tennis team last year only fueled his ambition further. Jason has been breaking in his racquet up to three times a week at a tennis club. Tuesday, he was back on AHS courts, hoping for better news this season.

"I was a little rusty freshman year," says Jason. "But I love the game. I've been playing ever since I was little and I knew I had to try out again."



Jason Dashtpeyma was cut from the tennis team last year. In better shape now, he believes he will make the team this year.

For coaches who can't accept every player, making cuts can feel like the toughest part of their job. This year about 10 to 12 boys seeking a place on the tennis team won't be selected.

"It is probably one of the most difficult situations, having to limit the roster and turn kids away," says boys' tennis coach, Mike Watman. "To see some deal with disappointment in such a positive way, like Jason has done, is really to their credit."

Track coach Comeau urges each and every student who may not find what they're looking for this season, to keep one thing in mind.

"With only so many members allowed on some teams, there are going to be cuts," Comeau says. "But people are not getting cut because they're not good. They might just need a little bit more time to mature for the sport."

The coach speaks from experience. Comeau himself was cut from the football team after his first tryouts. He admits that he was discouraged for a little while, but found a stronger niche in track.

Eventually, Comeau gave football another shot and made the varsity team in high school.

Libby, who will be diving with the swim team at Union College in New York this fall, says if your expectations are not met this season, don't waste too much time feeling down.

"Look for the opportunity to do something else," Libby says. "It might work out better than you had hoped."



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

John McVeigh, girls lacrosse head coach, shows the girls how he wants them to shoot at the net during tryouts in the Field House at Andover High School.

SPRING VARSITY PREVIEWS

Nine varsity teams begin practices

By Rick Harrison

The 2005 Andover High spring athletic season kicked off Monday with the opening day of practice for all sports.

AHS will field nine varsity teams in baseball, softball, girls track, boys track, girls tennis, boys tennis, girls lacrosse, boys lacrosse and boys volleyball.

Every Golden Warrior team qualified for MIAA Tournament play last spring, with the baseball, girls lacrosse and girls tennis teams each advancing to the third round before bowing out.

Returning as head coaches are Ken Maglio (baseball), Stephanie Ragucci (softball), Peter Comeau (track), David Hughes (girls tennis), Mike Wartman (boys tennis), Wayne Puglisi (boys lacrosse), and George Sullivan (boys volleyball).

The lone new coach is John McVeigh, the third girls lacrosse coach in the last three years.

BASEBALL

Andover finished the 2004 regular season at 15-5 and went 17-6 overall including tourney play.

The locals outslugged Newton North (17-14) and Arlington (15-6) post-season before dropping a 3-2 decision to Peabody (three unearned runs) in the Division 1 North semifinals.

The locals also won the Lawrence Invitational Tournament and placed third in the season-opening Wakefield Tournament.

Among the graduates from that team were Capts. Brian Buckley and Ryan Shepard along with Jarrett Mackin, Joel Keefe, Kyle Ahern, Jon Volinski and Anthony Perry.

The top eligible returnees include pitchers Dan Godefroi, Patrick Bateson, Peter Burke-Wallace, Mike Fortier and Tom White as well as two-time All-Conference shortstop Paul Malaguti, Matt Hennessy, Matt Iorio, Matt Hogan and Mike Muccio.

Iorio, Hogan and Hennessy are this year's captains.

Many of those players were key members of the Andover Post 8 American Legion team that won a first-ever state title and reached the Northeast Regional semifinals last summer.

Ken Maglio enters his 13th year as head coach, and 35th overall with the program, sporting a solid 172-99 overall record.

His teams have won five Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 titles, two Division 1 North crowns and eight Lawrence Tournament championships.

Assistant coaches include Dan Grams (JV), Rich Robinson (freshmen) and Kevin Rourke (varsity).

The regular season is scheduled to open, subject to field conditions, April 5 at home against non-league opponent Revere.

Home games are

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Matt Hogan, one of three baseball captains, throws during tryouts at Andover High School.

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played at Peter Aumais Park.

AHS will again participate in the Wakefield (April 7 and 9) and Lawrence (May 28-29) Tournaments.

SOFTBALL

The Lady Warriors are coming off a 14-7 season that included an 11-3 Merrimack Valley Conference mark.

Andover won 11 of its last 12 regular season games after a 3-5 start, chalking up five shutouts and big wins over MVC 1 teams Lowell (2-1, nine innings), Billerica (6-0) and Central Catholic (1-0).

Newton North ousted Andover from the tourney 1-0 in the first round.

Graduates included No. 3 hitter Emily Farmer, shortstop/ Capt. Liz Pallotta, catcher/Capt. Lauren Vieira, Meagan Merinder, leadoff batter Lindsey Timko and Carolyn Ciampa.

Ace pitcher Caitlin Carpentier returns as do Maria Nasta, Emily Cummings, Becky Cairns, Maggie Hanlon, Hannah Brady, Anastasia Sullivan and pitcher Katie Anderson.

The season opens April 8 with a home game against non-league Everett (3:45 p.m.).

The first Merrimack Valley Conference game is April 11 at Tewksbury (3:30 p.m.).

Other non-league opponents include North Reading (April 13, home) and Nazareth Academy of Wakefield (April 27, home).

AHS will again compete in the Methuen Invitational Tournament the weekend of May 21-22.

Coach Stephanie Ragucci enters her ninth season with an 87-83 overall record including 84-67 the past seven years.

The MIT graduate's teams have qualified for the Division 1 North Tournament five times.

Betty Iannuccilli returns as JV coach and Dick Loschi as freshman coach.

BOYS LACROSSE

The AHS laxmen were 11-8 last spring, which included a 5-0 start and a final 5-2 record in Merrimack Valley Conference play.

A tough tournament draw matched them against St. John's Prep of Danvers in the opening round, and the Golden Warriors lost that game 8-5.

The only graduates from the young squad were Toby Cohen, Bobby Grant, Tyler Hopkins, Ben Newman and Jay Shoemaker.

Third-year starters Buddy Farnham and goaltender Zach Gostanian return.

Others eligible to come back include defenders John Fox, Jon Yost, Mike Canepa and Andrew Gatti, midfielders Eric Hanson, John Ianelli, Seth Martin, James MacDonald, Joe Rusckowski, Mike Ahern, Andrew Boudreau, Luke Bryden and attackmen Mike LaMagna, Matt Colby, A.J. Drivas and Vic Lanio.

The first game is a non-leaguer on Tuesday, April 5 at Algonquin Regional in Northboro (4 p.m.).

The Merrimack Valley Conference opener is April 8 at home versus Chelmsford (4 p.m.).

Wayne Puglisi launches a seventh season at the helm, six as a varsity team, with a 57-43 record.

Puglisi, who played lacrosse at Londonderry, N.H. High and Springfield College, was an assistant coach at Winchester (six years) and Londonderry (one year) before taking over at AHS.

Assistant coaches are Matt James (varsity), Doug Chernovetz (JV) and Brandon Wilson (freshmen).



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Ginny Gibson shoots during girls lacrosse tryouts in the Field House.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Another new coach comes in as John McVeigh of North Andover takes over, succeeding Emily Frey who came in last year and led the way as the Andover girls barely skipped a beat, posting a 14-4 regular season record and 16-5 overall ledger.

The Lady Warriors, who won 11 of their first 12 games, defeated Weston (10-5) and North Andover (14-11) in the tourney before being ousted by Peabody (10-7).

The seven graduates from that squad were Capts. Stephanie Sweeney, Jeanne Lothrop and Ali McCoy along with Adrienne Shea, Krissy McSweeney, Courtney Reed and Lauren Barber.

The list of talented eligible returners includes attackers Rachel Fox (indoor track standout), Maggie Lamont, Jacqui Munro, McKenzie Talbot, Bryanna Casey, Lindsay Hegarty and defenders Kate Nichols, Jessie Koffman, Arianna Miliotis, Courtney Dynes, Melissa Foley and Casey Salois. Elissa Slovin is the veteran goaltender.

The season opener is Saturday, April 9 at Ipswich (10 a.m.)

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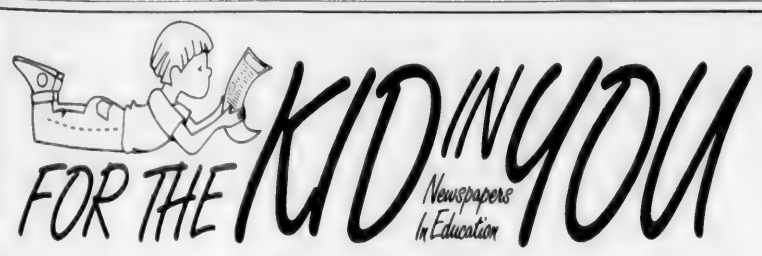
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Over the next few years Helen became a wild child. She threw temper tantrums, smashing dishes and other breakable household items. She screamed and was awful to be around. Even her relatives considered her a monster.

Her parents were desperate to find help for Helen. Her mother had read about Laura Bridgman, another deaf and blind child. Helen's parents traveled to a doctor in Baltimore. The doctor thought Helen could be taught.

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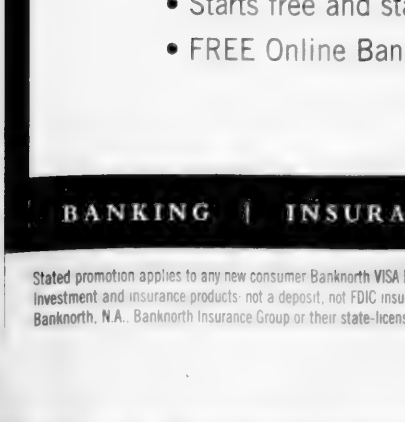
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Anne arrived at Helen's home on March 3, 1887. She began to teach Helen how to spell with her fingers, spelling out the word "doll". Ann had brought Helen a gift, a doll.

Next week the Kid will tell you more about Helen, Anne, and finger spelling.



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Archrival North Andover is back on the schedule for two night games, April 22 at Lovely Field and May 21 at North Andover (both 7 p.m.).

Sue Rogers returns as JV coach.

GIRLS TENNIS

The Andover girls tennis team also did not falter one bit last spring under new coach David Hughes, winning an unprecedented 15th straight Merrimack Valley Conference title and reaching the Division 1 North semifinals before dropping a 3-2 decision to eventual state champ Concord-Carlisle.

The Lady Warriors were 19-0 regular season, with 19 straight 5-0 wins, and 21-1 overall.

They have now won 237 consecutive MVC matches since a 3-2 loss to Lowell almost 15 years ago on May 21, 1990.

The Andover girls are also 311-1 in their last 312 regular season conference matches and 339-19 overall including tournaments.

Graduates from the 2004 squad were senior No. 1 singles Marsha Mogilevich, who went undefeated in conference matches during her AHS career, fellow captains Brittany Roy and Wendy Chen and Argentinian exchange student Gui Almada.

No. 2 and 3 singles Hannah Zarkar and Christie Spang return, as do doubles vets Jodi Richards and Caroline Koch.

Coach Hughes is a former tennis captain at Andover High and Randolph-Macon in Richmond, Va.

Two years ago he coached the North Andover boys to an undefeated regular season and their first Cape Ann League title in 19 years. The Scarlet Knights reached the North title match before bowing to Winchester.

The season opener is April 13 at Lawrence (3:30 p.m.), and the home opener April 15 against Central Catholic (3:30).

BOYS TENNIS

After dominating the Merrimack Valley Conference for more than a decade, the Golden Warrior boys finished runner-up to Chelmsford in 2002 and 2003 before returning to the top last season.

AHS was 15-1 during the regular campaign, including 14-0 in conference play, and 16-2 overall with the only losses to non-league Reading (3-2) and Concord-Carlisle (4-1) in the second round of the tournament.

Coach Mike Wartman's AHS boys have won 16 MVC titles, qualified for the tourney 20 straight years, are 297-14 in their last 311 MVC matches and 342-48 overall including non-league and tournament play during his tenure.

Graduates from last year were top three singles and Capts. Avi Lasser, Jason Edelstein and Brian Axelrod (only point versus C-C in tourney), along with Dave Szafarz (doubles), Dave Hornung, Dan Jordan, Max Chistyakov and Dave Tanklesky.

Doubles veterans eligible to return are Josh Caplan, Mike Zakin and Jeremy Hogan.

The season opener is April 7 at home versus Reading (3:30 p.m.), while the MVC lidlifter is April 11 at Lawrence (3:30).

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Andover was 11-11 last spring including a 3-2 loss to Boston Latin Academy in the first round of the tournament.

The locals started the season 5-2 but struggled at the end before a key 2-1 win over Haverhill just prior to the tourney.

Graduates included Capts. Sean Cummings, Jake Kleinman and Ian McMahon.

Those eligible to return are Chris James, Taylor Carroll, Matt Jacobs, Nick Assad, Sam Silverman, Darren McRoy, Pardeep Thandi and Jerry Mohan.

AHS has nine Merrimack Valley Conference titles, 13 tournament appearances, five North Sectional semifinals, two North finals and a state final in 1995 where the locals lost to New Bedford, 3-0.

Coach George Sullivan has a 227-110 record as he enters his 17th season.

The opening match is April 4 at the Dunn Gym against Lawrence (4 p.m.).

The first three matches and four of the first five on the 20-match schedule are at home.

TRACK & FIELD

The Andover girls finished 6-1 in dual meets last spring while the boys were 5-2.

The boys are also fresh off an undefeated 7-0 MVC 1 championship indoor season.

Some of the big-name graduates on the girls' side were Capts. Amanda Carlson, Matia Kostakis and Allison Kerivan along with Charlene Fielding and Jazzy Dingler.

The boys grads included Capts. Ryan Durkin, Vin Errico, Matt Hill, Ryan Donahue as well as Jeff Sawyer, Brad Sherman and Mark Radinski.

The Lady Warriors, 2003 conference, State Relays and Class A champs, return some top-notch talent including thrower Felicia Thompson, Emily Korba, Brittany and Caroline Pierce, Leslie Willey, Meghan Keefe, Michelle Pirro, Libby Fortier, Jenny Dlesk, Jen Merinder, Kelly Morrissey, Brittany Moriarty, Courtney Hamer, Ashley Baldwin and Chrissy Peracchi.

On the boys' side some of the key performers are Robert Kaufman, Chris Cole, Mike Cerchione, James Primes, Jason Sheldon, Pierre Hage, Adam Cuomo, Nate Baker, Peter Brown, Vasili Kostakis, Oleg and Sasha Seletsky, Garrett Rayner, Jeff Belardo, Jim Muller, Matt Malloy, Kyle MacKenzie, Mike Gustin and Dave Checrallah.

The girls are 11-2 the past two years and the boys 11-4 in dual meets, including non-league and crossovers.

Peter Comeau begins his seventh season as the head man outdoors, and his 16th overall with the program.

Assistant coaches include Art Iworsley (jumpers), Brenda Clark-Warne (distance runners), Phil Capodilupo, Craig Hartwell (throwers), Todd Collins and Mike Marcionous.

The MVC dual-meet and season opener is Tuesday, April 12 against Lowell at Lovely Field.

AHS will also host its 46th annual Boosters Invitational on Saturday, May 14 and the State Class A Championship Meet on Saturday, May 28 (both 10 a.m.).

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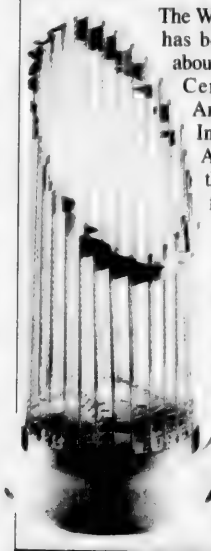
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Townspeople

TOWN TALK

Take me out to the Town House



The World Series trophy tour stop location has been selected and the most-talked about possible destinations – the Senior Center and the Collins Center at Andover High School – struck out. Instead, it's the Old Town Hall or Andover Town House at 20 Main St. that will host the big viewing event for the Red Sox World Series trophy.

Set for Tuesday, April 5 from 10 to 11:30 a.m., organizers said the Town House is equipped to handle the expected large turnout.

Recreation Director Kim Stamas said visitors will come in the building's front door, walk up the stairs and view the trophy which will be set up on a table in front of the stage. Then they exit through the back door. The building is also handicapped accessible with an elevator.



Photographs are allowed, but only one per group.

"If you have five in your group, you get one photograph – not five different ones," Stamas said, adding, "And you can't touch the trophy."

She said the crowd must keep moving, as the stop in Andover is limited to 90 minutes. Sox officials have other north-of-Boston communities to visit that day.

The trophy tour is part of a Red Sox public relations push as the organization pledged to bring the trophy to any of the state's 351 towns. All they had to do was ask. Selectmen chairman and baseball buff Brian Major did just that. He e-mailed a request for an Andover tour stop last January.

– Judy Wakefield

Eggs-ray vision: Got yolks?

They say an apple a day keeps the doctor away. But how about trying an egg? That's what the University of Massachusetts Lowell's Center for Health and Disease Research plans to try when it kicks off a new study in two weeks.



Macular degeneration and cataracts are leading causes in age-related vision loss. What researchers are trying to figure out is what kind of connections exist between the nutrients in eggs and maintaining healthy vision.

The center is currently looking for Andover senior citizens to participate in its four-month study. Volunteers must be at least 65 years old and not on medication to lower their cholesterol level. Having a bit of an appetite for eggs wouldn't hurt.

Those chosen for the study must go without eggs for a few weeks. Then, it's an egg a day for the next five weeks. The study pays $75 to participants.

For more information call Pat Becker at the Andover Senior Center at 978-623-8321, or Liz Goodrow at UMass Lowell at 978-934-4507.

– Andrea Gregory

Reruns mean Leno sighting

It's a 40-plus year friendship and shows Jay Leno is really just a regular guy.

So says his boyhood chum Lewis "Lew" Trumbore of Andover who grew up with *The Tonight Show* host and is the go-to buddy when Leno gets a week off from work and aches for a dose of hometown humor.

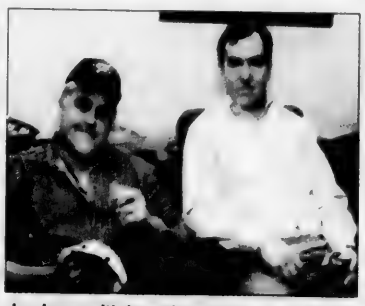
The Tonight Show was in reruns last week and Trumbore said he got the call Monday night that Leno was coming to town. Leno was in town for several hours last Wednesday, March 16.

"He usually is all over the country when his show is in reruns," said Trumbore, a cost engineer who has been working at Raytheon in Andover for the past 31 years.

He picked up Leno at an airport in the wee hours of the morning, and later escorted Leno to his office. Co-workers were thrilled with the surprise guest, who was great about posing for pictures and signing autographs.

"Just two friends" getting together is how Trumbore summed up the day, noting Leno had lunch at Raytheon and was gone by 4 p.m.

Both men graduated from Andover High School in 1968 and have kept in touch for years. In fact, Trumbore said Leno took him to a Paul McCartney concert in Los Angeles, Calif. last October and he even met the ex-Beatle, thanks to his Leno connection.



Jay Leno with longtime Andover pal Lew Trumbore at Raytheon last week.

"I have known Jay for 45 years and have been close friends with him for 35 years. My daughter, my girlfriend Sue Armstrong and I have been with him on some memorable occasions and met several celebrities, two presidents and many politicians who have all been very nice. I talk to him just about everyday, to give you an idea of the special friendship," Trumbore said. "His willingness to visit Raytheon is very telling of the type of person Jay still is."

For the McCartney concert, Leno whisked Trumbore's party through a back door.

"It's always a back door with him," chuckled Trumbore.

Last week's visit was clearly more about ordinary people, not Hollywood glam. Trumbore said that sits well with Leno, who really is just a regular guy from Andover.

– Judy Wakefield

Small world – to them

Geography Bee wizards look for new worlds to conquer

By Rita Savard

A FERRY TRAVELING ACROSS THE STRAIT of Gibraltar connects Spain to which country?

Despite some objections from an audience of Bancroft Elementary fifth-graders, Coleman "Colie" Egertson had no reservations when answering with "Morocco."

The 10-year-old's reply won him the first place medal in Bancroft's annual Geography Bee. And now Colie is preparing to take on an even bigger challenge.

Next Friday, April 1 the fifth-grader will contend with 100 other middle-school students at Clark University in Worcester for the title of state Geography Bee champion.

How does Colie prepare to sharpen his knowledge of earth's surface?

By not spending every waking moment pouring over maps, he says.

"I've always liked to look at maps," Colie admits. "But I don't want to get too much stuff in my brain in case of an overload."

Each year, students in grades 5-8 are quizzed on their skills of world destinations. Once a student winner is named in all the participating town schools, they can take a written test to qualify for the state challenge.

Colie, along with Krishnan Chandra, a seventh-grader at West Middle and last year's state champion, ranked among the top 100 students in the commonwealth this year for their expertise with people, places and environments around the globe.

Colie's teacher, Bill Scanlon, says he can't take any credit for his student's savvy in geography.

"The reason he got as far as he did was because he has fun with it and has a natural interest in looking up maps on his own," says Scanlon, who will escort Colie to the state finals.

The written exam that earned Colie a place in the statewide geography meet is not an easy one, adds his teacher.

According to the National Geographic Society, which sponsors the contests, students like Colie and Krishnan are in the minority of middle-school-aged kids who are well versed in the science of space and place that brings together earth's physical and human dimensions.

National Geographic survey results show that one in three young Americans can't find the Pacific on a map.

But for Colie, questions like that pose the least threat, as the fifth-grader is quick to point out some of the more obscure locations on the map.

"I like to find which places are the smallest," Colie adds, pointing to the country of Lesotho in South Africa which is smaller in size than Texas.





Bancroft Elementary fifth-grader Coleman "Colie" Egertson (above) and Krishnan Chandra (at right), a seventh-grader at West Middle School, are both representing Andover in the statewide Geography Bee sponsored by the National Geographic Society, April 1 at Clark University in Worcester.

Colie's father, Eric Egertson, says at home, learning geography is more like play than work.

"We sit around the globe and make up questions, and we'll visit the National Geographic Society's Web site," says Colie's dad. "But we don't push anything on him. Answering questions for him is fun, kind of like a game, and the interest is something he has developed on his own."

And where does a fifth-grader who can find most places on the globe choose to visit first?

"Hawaii," says Colie. "Because it's warm there."

State champions and their teacher-escorts will move on to the national competition moderated by *Jeopardy!* host Alex Trebek, in Washington, D.C. in May. The first-place national winner will receive a $25,000 college scholarship and a lifetime membership in the National Geographic Society.

Andover's returning state champion, Krishnan, was also in fifth-grade when he first made it to the state competition. But it wasn't until he reached the sixth-grade that he qualified for state again and won last year's meet.

Although Colie is facing some serious competition, the Bancroft student says winning isn't everything.

"It would be nice," Colie admits. "But I'm just happy to have made it this far."



Caitlin Voorhees
WOOD HILL MIDDLE



Leon He
HIGH PLAIN ELEMENTARY

Townwide Geography Bee winners, by school

DOHERTY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Andi Zhou, 8th grade

WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL
Krishnan Chandra, 7th grade

WOOD HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL
Caitlin Voorhees, 8th grade

BANCROFT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Colie Egertsen, 5th grade

HIGH PLAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Leon He, fifth grade

SANBORN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
No contest held

SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
No contest held

WEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Henry Lindblad, 5th grade

AROUND TOWN

Spring flings with various events

It's tough to hide Easter eggs under the white stuff still covering parts of the green grass in the Park at Bartlet and Chestnut streets.

But Easter is this Sunday, March 27 and as they say in show business, the hunt must go on. It will, on the day before Easter – *indoors*. The Department of Community Services said its annual egg hunt geared for younger children will take place Saturday morning, March 26 at 10 at the Town House (Old Town Hall), 20 Main St. ($10 per child, ages 2-10).



Lucy Bernardin

Many egg-hunters will be repeat DCS customers. Last Friday night's mother-son dance sponsored by the department sold out with just over 100 takers. Many of those young male dancers are sure to be egg-hunting on Saturday and joined by a few of the young girls who turned out for the Mad Hatter event last Sunday afternoon.

Hosted by the Andover Historical Society, the event was held in honor of Women's History Month and featured resident hat expert Evelina Kolchinsky who talked about the significance of hats in various cultures. She teaches a class for DCS on the topic of hat significance.

– Judy Wakefield

Bernardin rides again – 100 miles for charity

Lucy Bernardin of Andover is training and fundraising for her second 100-mile bike ride for Biking Towards A Cure. Bernardin's fundraising includes "The Indulgence Drawing" with a grand prize of dinner out once a week for a year in 52 Boston-area restaurants, as well as lots of other prizes, including gift certificates to Royal Jewelers, a two-night stay at The Charlotte Inn on Martha's Vineyard, overnights at the Samoset Resort and the Burlington Marriott, facials, a "Girls Night Out" and much more. For more info, log onto www.bikingtowardsacure.com.

The prize drawings will be held at Royal Jewelers, located at 58 Main St., next Thursday, March 31 at 7:15 p.m.

The evening events (from 5 to 8) will highlight the new David Yurman spring jewelry and watch collections and a wine-and-cheese tasting. Royal Jewelers will also sell David Yurman T-shirts with 100 percent of the proceeds donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Tickets at $10 each for "The Indulgence Drawing" may be purchased online at www.bikingtowardsacure.com, or directly from Royal Jewelers, The Blue Cow, Sparkle, Sweet Mimi's & General Goods.

A spokesman for Royal Jewelers said, "Please come and join us for food, libations, and many unadvertised jewelry specials" as the store takes part in this fundraiser.



COURTESY PHOTO

The Andover/North Andover Branch of the Merrimack Valley hosted 200 children and their parents at the annual Eggsellent Easter Event, Saturday, March 19. Families enjoyed a light breakfast, followed by an indoor bunny trail obstacle course, spring arts and crafts projects, and the Easter Bunny was on hand for photos. Families were also invited to a family fun swim, after the Easter activities. Above, Allie Schmidt, 7, and brother Carter, 3, pose with their mother, Lori Schmidt, while visiting with the Easter Bunny at the YMCA.

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WEDDINGS

Andrade-Nowell

Ashley Prescott Nowell and William Horton Andrade were married Oct. 16 at South Church with the Rev. Calvin F. Mutti officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick N. Nowell III of Andover. A graduate of Roger Williams University, she is employed by Cubellis Associates as a business development coordinator.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Andrade of Salem, Mass. A graduate of Bridgewater State College, he is employed by State Street Global Markets as a transition analyst.

After a honeymoon in Maui, the couple live in Salem, Mass.



William and Ashley Andrade

Crowley-Kelley

Megan Kathleen Kelley and Eric Michael Crowley were married at the Immaculate Conception Church in Portsmouth, N.H.

Rev. Harry J. Erdlen of Andover officiated the double-banded ceremony. A reception followed at the Wentworth-by-the-Sea Country Club in Rye, N.H.

The bride, the daughter of Robert and Kathleen Kelley of Andover, was given in marriage by her father. The groom is the son of Eleanor Crowley of Dracut and the late Brendan P. Crowley.

The maids of honor were Kerry Conner and Shannon Kelley, sisters of the bride. Bridesmaids were Lynne Lussier and Kathleen Crowley, sisters of the groom, Alison Adams, Allison Kennedy, Danielle Ripple and Laura Recupero.



Eric and Megan Crowley

The best men were Mark Crowley, brother of the groom, and Steve Pieslak. The ushers were Daniel Kelley, brother of the bride, Brian Lussier, Bill Conlon, Dan Purtell, Shaun Woods and Mark Rurak.

Emma Conner, niece of the bride, was the flower girl, and Will Conner, nephew of the bride, and Brendan Lussier, nephew of the groom, were the ring bearers.

The bride graduated from Andover High School. She received her undergraduate degree from Providence College and her graduate degree from Boston University. She is a guidance counselor at the Dr. Paul Nettle Middle School in Haverhill.

The groom received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Massachusetts Lowell. He is a supervisor of the Adolescent Services Unit at the Department of Social Services in Boston.

After a honeymoon in Mexico, the couple live in Winchester.

Markowitz-Tuttman

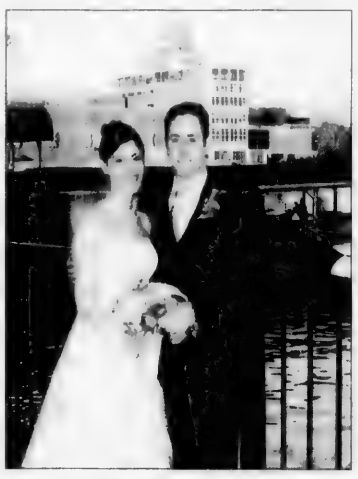
Jessica Lynn Tuttman and Adam Daniel Markowitz were married Sept. 5 at Temple Emanuel in Andover by Rabbi Robert Goldstein.

A reception followed at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Tuttman of Andover. She is a graduate of Vassar College, where she received a bachelor's degree in psychology. She is currently studying for a doctoral degree in clinical psychology at Drexel University.

The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Markowitz of Monroe, N.Y. He received a bachelor's degree in biology from Hartwick College. He is currently employed by PC Helps Inc. in Philadelphia.

After a honeymoon in Italy, the couple live in Philadelphia.



Jessica and Adam Markowitz

Mertes-Abele

Anne M. Abele, daughter of Thomas and Ursula Abele, of Holmdel, N.J. and Bonita Springs, Fla. and formerly of Andover, was married Aug. 20 to Arthur E. Mertes, son of Mrs. Kathleen Mertes of Glen Ellyn, Ill. The Rev. Ron Crowley-Koch officiated at the ceremony, which was held outdoors at the Armour House of the Lake Forest Academy in Lake Forest, Ill. A reception followed at the same location.



Anne and Arthur Mertes

Mrs. Mertes, known to her friends as Anja, is a graduate of Andover High School and Simmons College, where she received a bachelor's degree in marketing. In 1990, she earned a master's degree in integrated marketing from Northwestern's Medill School of Journalism. She is employed by Information Resources Inc. in Chicago, as an analytics research consultant for Wrigley and ConAgra.

Mr. Mertes received a master's degree from the College of Engineering at the University of Illinois in 1994. He went on to earn both a juris doctor, magna cum laude, and a master's of business administration with highest honors for academic achievement, from the University of Illinois. He is a founding partner of Synergy Law Group LLC, where he has been practicing in the fields of corporate/commercial, finance, technology and securities law since 2000.

The couple met in 1999 while volunteering on the LEARN associate board, a not-for-profit charity that raises funds for educational programs designed to benefit inner-city children attending the LEARN Charter School. Both are still active members.

For their honeymoon, the newlyweds sailed around the islands of Raiatea and Tahaa in French Polynesia, and then visited both Bora Bora and Moorea.

The couple live in Chicago.

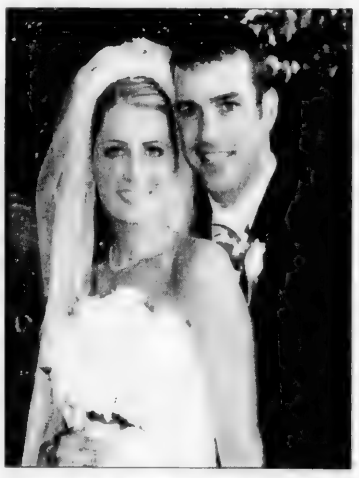
Tisbert-Sannella

Nicole Anne Sannella and Brian Louis Tisbert were married Sept. 25 at St. Augustine Church where Father Kilroy officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Laurie and Lou Sannella of Andover. She graduated from Andover High School and Quinnipiac University and is a pediatric occupational therapist.

The groom is the son of Diana and Steve Tisbert of Andover. A graduate of Andover High School and the University of Connecticut, he is a real estate securities broker.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and live in North Andover.



Nicole and Brian Tisbert

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Premises affected are located at 41 Bancroft Rd. & 75 Holt Rd., Andover, MA in an SRB District and are shown on Assessor Map 110 as Lots 23 & 21.

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT—March 24, 31, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April, 7, 2005 at 7:30 P.M. on the petition of George Hughes & Douglas Ahern, PO Box 802, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 & 10 &/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3 to construct a single family dwelling on a lot that does not have frontage on a public way as defined by the by law.

Premises affected are located at 34 Oriole Dr. & 97R Argilla Rd., Andover, MA in an SRB District and are shown on Assessor Map 91 as Lots 44 & 44B.

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Premises affected are located at 6 Dumbarton St., Andover, MA in an SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 18 as Lot 29.

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT—March 24, 31, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 8:10 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on the application of 30 Minuteman Limited Partnership for a Special Permit for a Change in Parking Space Requirements to allow 36 parking spaces to be held as reserve parking associated with a Special Permit for Major Non-residential Project (SPO4-13) issued by the Board on July 8, 2004 for a research and development building on a site located at One Minuteman Road (off River Road), being more specifically identified as Lot 12E on Assessor's Map 166. The application and plan may be examined in the Planning department between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD
Paul J. Salafia,
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AT – March 17, 24, 2005

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Premises affected are located at 5 Chestnut St., Andover, MA in a SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 55 as Lot 107.

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT—March 24, 31, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 7, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Steve & Carol Sawin, 215 Lowell St. Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 &/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3.5 to construct a 2-story addition that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 215 Lowell St., Andover, MA in an SRB District and are shown on Assessor Map 110 as Lot 12.

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT—March 24, 31, 2005

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A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 7, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Parthiv Corp., 57 Brick Kiln Rd., Chelmsford, MA for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.1.3.C.12.b to allow fast-food/take-out service at a bakery café that does not meet zoning regulations.

Premises affected are located at 195-195A Andover St., Andover, MA in a GB District and are shown on Assessor Map 157 as Lot 39.

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT—March 24, 31, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April, 7, 2005 at 7:30 P.M. on the petition of Marino Development LLC, 44 Central St., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.1 3.1.3.&/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.1.3.C.15, 3.3.2, 3.3.3, & 10 to construct additions & alterations to an existing non-conforming structure that will not meet dimensional requirements nor zoning regulations.

Premises affected are located at 140 Haverhill St., Andover, MA in an SOP District and are shown on Assessor Map 18 as Lot 104A.

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Premises affected are located at 195-195A Andover St., Andover, MA in a GB District and are shown on Assessor Map 157 as Lot 39.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT – 3/24, 3/31/05

LEGAL NOTICE

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April, 7, 2005 at 7:30 P.M. on the petition of LGH Health Enterprises, Inc., 138 Haverhill St., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 &/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3.2, 3.3.3, 3.1.3.C.15 & 10 to subdivide a lot that will not meet dimensional requirements & to allow a business, professional or administrative office that will not meet use regulations.

Premises affected are located at 300 High St., Andover, MA in an OP District and are shown on Assessor Map 18 as Lot 104A

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT—March 24, 31, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lisa M. English and Shawn M. English to First Horizon Home Loan Corporation, dated October 21, 2002 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 7204, Page 226, of which mortgage First Horizon Home Loan Corporation is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on March 31, 2005, on the mortgaged premises located at 105-107 North Main Street, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

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Premises affected are located at 63 Central St., Andover, MA in an SRA District and are shown on Assessor Map 74 as Lot 93

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
AT – 3/24, 3/31/05

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF ANDOVER

BOARD OF SELECTMEN STREET LAYOUT MEETING

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 82, Section 22, a public hearing will be convened on **Monday, March 28, 2005** at **7:30 P.M.** in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, to consider laying out the following streets: Douglass Lane, Mortimer Drive, Hitchcock Farm Road, Jordyn Lane, Stirling Street, Whittemore Terrace; the layout alteration of Chandler Road and Chongris Circle and the acquisition and acceptance of Great Heron Place.

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[illegible] washer dryer [illegible]

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GLOUCESTER MA [illegible] bed room [illegible] baths [illegible]

GROVELAND MA [illegible] bedroom [illegible] $1,450/mo [illegible] 4467

HAVERHILL MA [illegible] bedroom [illegible]

MANCHESTER NH [illegible] bedroom Ranch [illegible] bath [illegible]

MERRIMAC MA [illegible] bedroom [illegible]

MERRIMAC MA [illegible] bed room [illegible] hardwood [illegible]

NEWBURYPORT MA [illegible] South End [illegible] off street parking [illegible]

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BEVERLY MA [illegible] updated bath [illegible] Heat [illegible] FREE [illegible]

BEVERLY MA [illegible] bedroom renovated [illegible] parking [illegible] $9[illegible] 978-[illegible]

BEVERLY MA [illegible] bedroom [illegible] parking [illegible] & beach [illegible]

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BEVERLY MA [illegible] room [illegible] bedroom [illegible] Near [illegible] street parking [illegible] last security [illegible]

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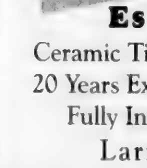
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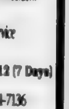
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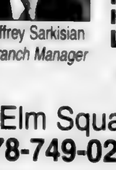
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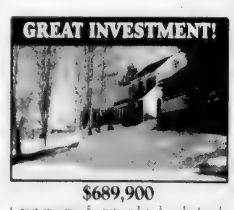
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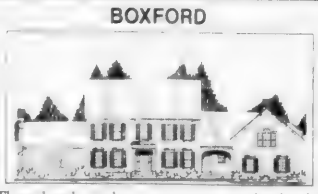


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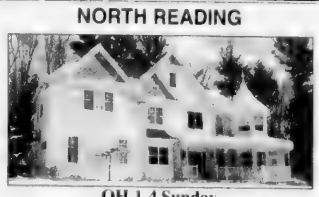
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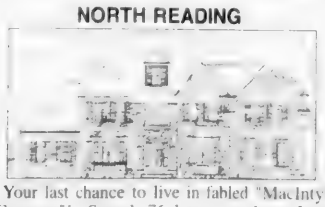
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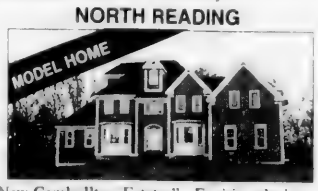
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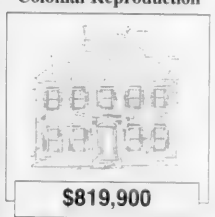
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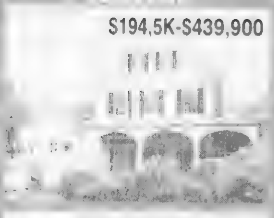
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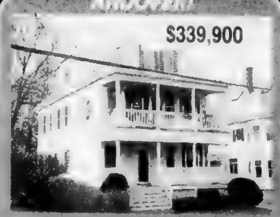
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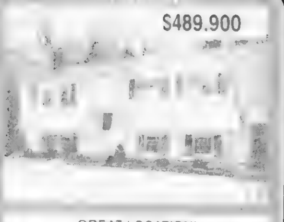

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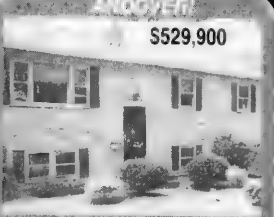

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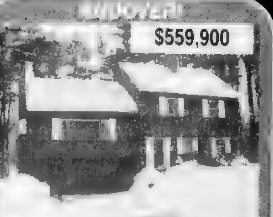

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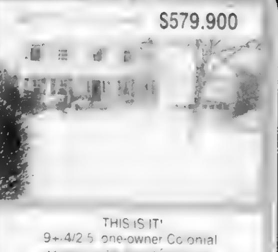

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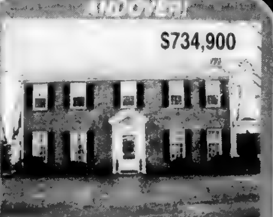

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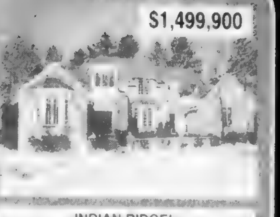

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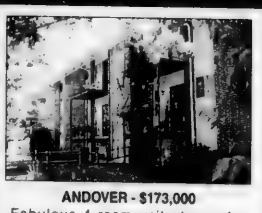
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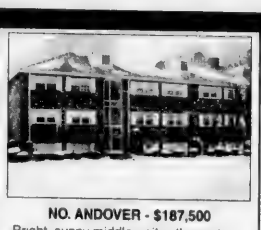
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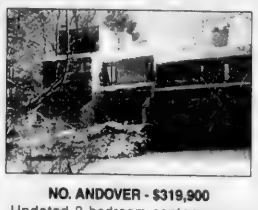
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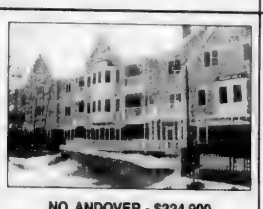
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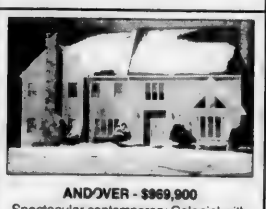
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7 Central St., Andover
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MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7 p.m
GOOD FRIDAY: Family Night Adult Bible Study and Youth Easter Activities 6–8 p.m
EASTER SUNDAY: Service at 10 a.m

Catholic
St. Augustine Church
43 Essex St., Andover
978-475-0050

HOLY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper
GOOD FRIDAY: Ecumenical prayer walk, 8:30–10 a.m., leaving from St. Augustine; 3 p.m., Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m., Liturgy of the Word
HOLY SATURDAY: 7:30 p.m., Easter vigil celebration
EASTER SUNDAY: Masses, 8, 9:30, 10 a.m., upper church; Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher, Merrimack College, 8, and 10 a.m. (No 5:30 p.m. Liturgy on Easter Sunday)

St. Robert Bellarmine Church
Haggetts Pond Road
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978-683-8922

HOLY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper. Mandatum procession to Repository followed by Adoration at Repository in Driscoll Hall until 11 p.m. Compline
GOOD FRIDAY: 9 a.m., Morning Prayer; 3 p.m., Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m., Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death.
HOLY SATURDAY: 9 a.m., Morning Prayer; 7 p.m., Easter Vigil
EASTER SUNDAY: Masses, 7:30, 9, 11 a.m

St. Joseph's Church
22 High Vale Lane
Ballardvale
978-475-0050

EASTER SUNDAY: Masses, 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; (No 5:30 p.m. Liturgy on Easter Sunday)

Congregational
Free Christian Church
31 Elm St., Andover
978-475-0700

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m. Candlelight Communion service
GOOD FRIDAY: Ecumenical prayer walk, 8:30-10 a.m., leaving from St. Augustine; noon Good Friday ecumenical worship service at Free Christian Church.
EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship, at the Charles Ward Reservation in Andover; Worship Services, 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.; Common Ground, 6 p.m

Episcopal
Christ Church
25 Central St., Andover
978-475-0529

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 6:30 p.m. Agape supper in the Parish Hall; 7:30 p.m., Holy Eucharist with foot washing, stripping of the Altar, reservation of the Sacrament. Vigil continues in the Moses Chapel until midnight
GOOD FRIDAY: 10:30–12:30 p.m. Discovering the Passion in the Parish Hall; 7:30 p.m., Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.
HOLY SATURDAY: 9 a.m., Liturgy for Holy Saturday – North Chapel; 8 p.m., The Great Easter Vigil.
EASTER SUNDAY: 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist and Baptism with festival music; 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist with festival music

Interdenominational
Andover Bible Chapel
266 Lowell St.,
978-475-4733

New England Bible Church
60 Chandler Road, Andover
978-475-4381

GOOD FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m. service.
EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m., Easter Sunrise service. Celebrate the resurrection. Pastor Paul Zagrobski will lead this service, held at Holt Hill on the Ward Reservation in Andover; 10 a.m., Sunday service

Lutheran
Faith Lutheran Church
360 S. Main St., Andover
978-475-4059

HOLY THURSDAY: 7 p.m
GOOD FRIDAY: 6 a.m., prayer; 7 p.m. service
EASTER SUNDAY: Traditional services 8:30, 9:45 and 11 a.m.

Unitarian
Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover
6 Locke St., Andover
978-475-4454

EASTER SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. service

United Church of Christ
South Church
41 Central St., Andover
978-475-0321

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m. – Communion Tenebrae Service of Shadows Sanctuary Choir, Soloists and Organ.
GOOD FRIDAY: Ecumenical prayer walk, 8:30-10 a.m., leaving from St. Augustine Church.
HOLY SATURDAY: South Winds Easter Eve service at Cochran Chapel on the Phillips Academy campus, 5 p.m.
EASTER SUNDAY: 6:30 a.m., Sunrise Service at Missionary Rock on the Phillips Academy campus; Easter breakfast at the church, 7:30–8:30 a.m., Two identical Easter Services; 9, 10:30 a.m., Easter services, with trumpet and organ, sanctuary choir; children welcome at all services, infant care available only at 9 and 10:30 services.

West Parish Church
129 Reservation Road
Andover
978-475-3528

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 6:30 p.m., Family service, communion and dinner.
EASTER SUNDAY: 9, 11 a.m.

United Methodist
Ballardvale United Church
(United Methodist and United Church of Christ)
23 Clark Road, Andover
978-475-2506

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service with Holy Communion.
EASTER SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. "Running to Easter" Festive Service of Easter and Holy Communion.

Good Friday Prayer Walk set for tomorrow, March 25

Everyone is invited to join neighbors and friends of all ages on Andover's annual Good Friday Prayer Walk tomorrow, Friday, March 25, beginning outside St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St. Coffee and hot cross buns will be served from 8:15 a.m.

The two-mile walk heads from St. Augustine Church to West Middle School, along Stevens Street to Marland Place and the Post Office, up Main Street to the Elm Square war memorial, Old Town Hall and Town Offices on Bartlet Street, then back to St. Augustine Church via South Church on Central Street by 10:30 a.m. Clergy from St. Augustine, Free Christian, Ballardvale United, Andover Baptist, South, West Parish and Christ churches will read from the gospel accounts of the crucifixion and lead prayers for aspects of Andover town life at eight stations along the way.

Organizers Roselle and David Heckendorn said past prayer walks have attracted up to 150 people, including many families. People are welcome to participate for as much of the walk as they can manage, they said. For further information, call 978-470-2651.

MARCH FIRST BIRTHDAY PHOTOS & WRITE-UPS ARE DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 25 AT 5 P.M.

FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker
Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

Creative Cooking/Lunch Group: Our creative cooking/lunch group will meet again next Tuesday, March 29 at 11 a.m. This friendly, fun group is open to anyone who enjoys watching someone else cook, sharing a few laughs, and sampling some good food. The March menu will be salad, Chicken Angelo, pasta, vegetable, and dessert. Cost is $6 and reservations must be made by today, March 24.

Massage Therapy: Another great winter offering is our on-site massage therapist who is here on Monday mornings by appointment. Just $12 for a 20-minute treatment. If the winter weather is aggravating to your neck, shoulders, back, etc., massage could prove to be therapeutic. Call the center at 978-623-8321 for an appointment.

Movie Matinee: Our next movie matinee will be on Monday, April 11 at 1 p.m. when we will show the recent hit *Shall We Dance* starring Richard Gere, Susan Sarandon and Jennifer Lopez.

Podiatry Clinics: Home Health VNA conducts two monthly podiatry clinics at the center. Give us a call at 978-623-8321 for dates, times and appointments.

Fix-It Shop: Our fix-it shop will be open for business again on Monday, April 11 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Our volunteers will be happy to take a look at any small appliance or household item in need of repair.

Men's Breakfast: Our next men's breakfast will be held Friday, April 15 at 8:30 a.m. Couples are encouraged to attend this presentation by Detective Mark Higginbottom of the Andover Police Dept. Advance reservations ($3) are necessary.

Book Club Discussion: The next book club discussion will take place Tuesday, March 29 at 1:30 p.m. The selection will be *Cold Mountain* by Charles Frazier. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the center, and everyone is welcome. No charge.

Tax Preparation: Trained tax volunteers will offer help to prepare simple tax returns. Call the center to make an appointment.

Cardio-Circuit Training For Women: If there is enough interest, the center will offer a new exercise option for women, cardio-circuit training. Appropriate for most fitness levels, there will be two complimentary try-out sessions at Shapes By Design. The demonstration will be held again Monday, March 28 at 2 p.m.

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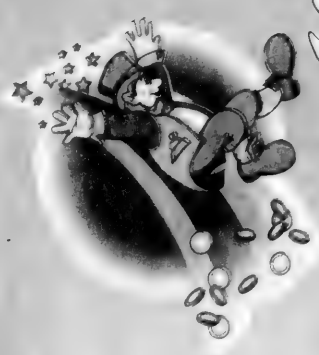
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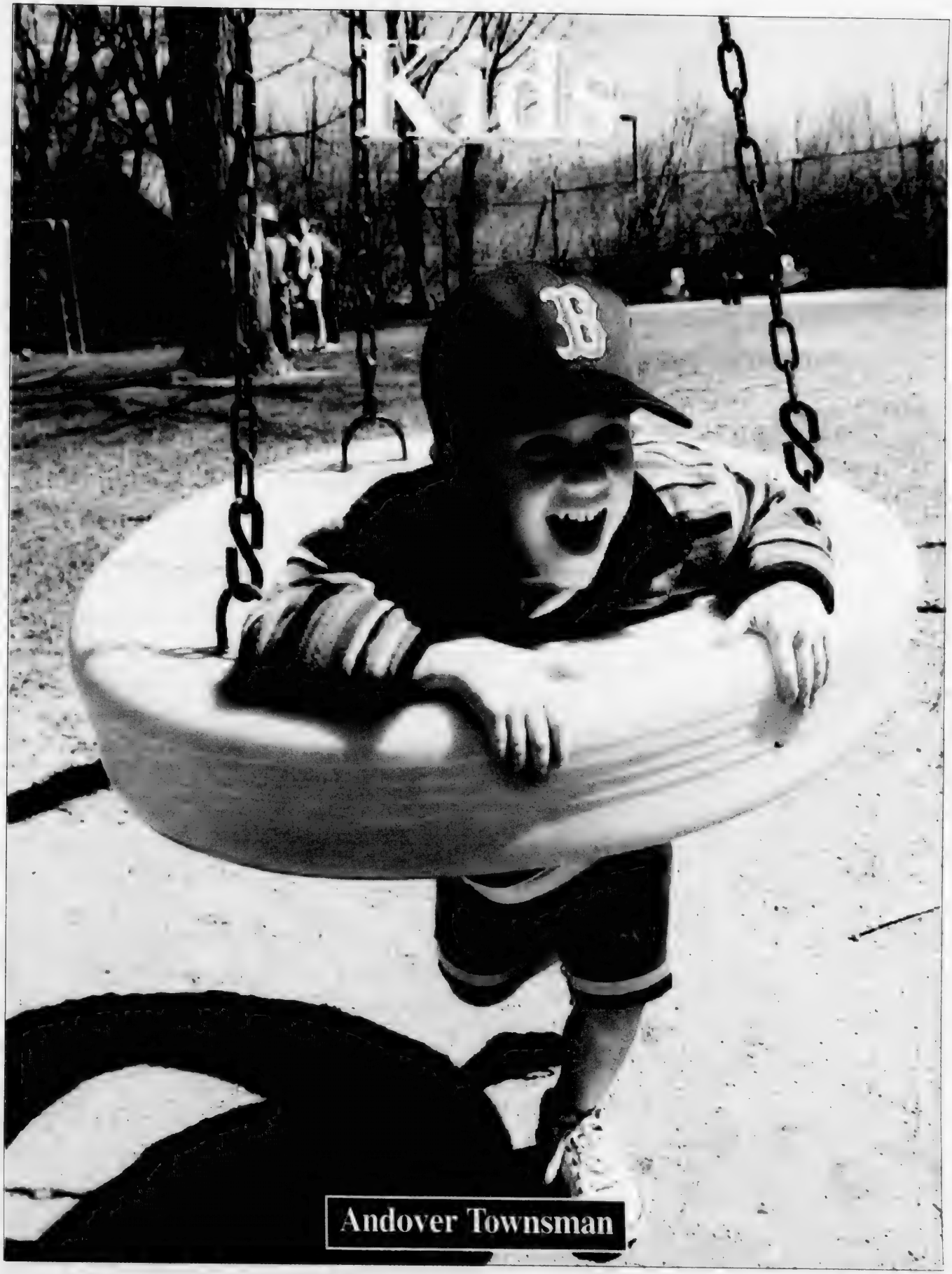
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Andover Townsman

Influence starts early with these Andover kids

By Judith Bright

A recent episode of NBC's *The West Wing* featured a White House tour taken by a group of 12-year-olds who were not content with being "handled" by a low-level press assistant. They had come to Washington, D.C. with an agenda of their own.

To get the attention of the press secretary for their issue, the middle-schoolers used several recognizable tactics kids are known for using to get the attention of their parents. They complained. They argued. They wouldn't take "no" for an answer.

Their issue: kids should have the vote.

While kid suffrage seems on the surface silly in the extreme, even for this "lame-duck" television presidency, the dilemma of childhood is its powerlessness.

That's a reality children are acutely aware of, and some of them succeed in doing something about it.

In Andover, this activism takes several forms. Recently:

• An Andover fifth-grader wrote an essay and was chosen from 1,800 entries to become one of 50 youthful advisers to the Friendly Ice Cream Corp.

• Student vocalists performed for several charities, piling up some unexpected income; when asked their preferences for spending the money, they unanimously opted to donate all proceeds to charity.

• After years of raising funds for a hoped-for youth center, several teens set their sights on a new source of funds – and wrote a warrant article asking the approval of Town Meeting.



COURTESY PHOTO

Audrey Hansen models her Friendly's "Fab 50" gear.

The coolest job in the world

When the Friendly Ice Cream Corp. decided in 2004 to introduce a new menu specifically to appeal to children aged 8–12, they decided to test it before rolling it out to all 540 restaurants in the chain, said Maura Tobias, director of public affairs for the Massachusetts-based company.

"It was very successful," Tobias said. "We adopted several recommendations we received from the 'tweens,' including food items they judged and a drink called 'sour apple' that we thought would get a horrible reaction, but that the kids just loved."

This year Friendly's did it again, and Andover resident Audrey Hansen, 11, was chosen from among 1,800 applicants to be one of the "Fab 50" kids who will serve on the kid panel throughout the year.

Panelists were chosen wholly on the basis of a 50-word essay in which they had to apply for the "coolest job in the world." Hansen's winning essay cited her love of ice cream and desire to help with the new menu as qualifications for the job.

It probably didn't hurt that the West Elementary student and her family are also loyal Friendly's customers. "I go to Friendly's as often as my mom and dad will take me," she wrote.

The 50 kids of Friendly's board are more than mere taste testers, according to Tobias, who said the youngsters comment on the menu and other aspects of the presentation of food. They also have opportunities to represent Friendly's during the year at such events as new store openings.

Compensation comes in the form of unique "Fab 50" gear, and a "swag bag" of other prizes, including a US savings bond.



COURTESY PHOTO

Taste-testing isn't all fun and games, as Audrey Hansen, 11, found.

Still, said Hansen after the group's first tasting event, "the best part was the ice cream."

Young people in action

A group of young people who saw a need and took action under their own initiative is the Andover Youth Action Coun-

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Kids take action

■ INFLUENTIAL KIDS

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cil, whose members are influencing the system from within.

According to Dylan Golden, an Andover High School sophomore, young people and their supporters all over town have been raising money for years to build a new youth center, but the goal has proven to be a moving target.

"Since the drawings for the [proposed youth center] were done," said Golden, "it's been getting more difficult, with [construction] prices rising all the time. And people get tired of giving when the project never gets started."

When Golden and seven other Andover students got wind of a possible multi-million dollar windfall that will be rebated to the town, they saw an opportunity to regain some of the lost momentum for the project.

The group recently submitted a warrant article to be voted on at the annual Town Meeting that would have the town turn over some portion of the $2.5 million the town expects to receive as a result of the dissolution of the regional North East Solid Waste Committee (NESWC).

Although time was short to get the article submitted in the legally prescribed form, the council members were up to the task.

"We wrote the article as a group in one afternoon," said Golden. "The next day we took it to the high school to get the signatures of 18-year-old students. We needed 10 and we got 40.

"That same day we hand-delivered the warrant to the town clerk, just in time to be included on the warrant."

Although the Youth Action Council received a response from Town Counsel Tom Urbelis that, in his opinion, the town is prohibited from awarding the money requested to the youth center project, Golden says the the council, which includes Liz Minton, Reena Patel, Sam Berger, Emily Cummings, Nathan and Brayden Hass, and Joe Rusckowski, plans to fight on.

"Our mission is to influence positive change in four ways: ...the budget, ...the youth center project, ...interim space, and to get more staffing for the Youth Services Department."

Regardless of whether the funds are approved at Town Meeting, the Youth Action Council has succeeded in getting their issue before the town in a way that cannot be ignored.

Raising their voices

BLES doesn't perform for money. So the a capella songsters were surprised at how much money had begun to pile up as a result of their performances all over the Merrimack Valley.

A non-profit quartet of Andover girls formed two years ago by Jennifer D'Onofrio to provide advanced voice training to some of her students, BLES performs at fundraisers and non-profit venues such as nursing homes and schools.

With an extensive repertoire that ranges in style from Alicia Keys to the Andrews Sisters, the group has enjoyed a burst of popularity that has given them many opportunities to hone their performance skills.

At the same time, said D'Onofrio, "People insist on donating to the group. They'll say, 'We just *have* to pay them *some*thing.'

"It just began to add up," she said, and she asked the young singers to decide what they wanted to do with the money. "It was entirely their idea to donate the proceeds to charity."

BLES performed at the Andover Youth Foundation Raise the Roof telethon to raise money for the youth center project, and has donated the proceeds from their performances to charities such as the Heifer Foundation and Tsunami Relief.

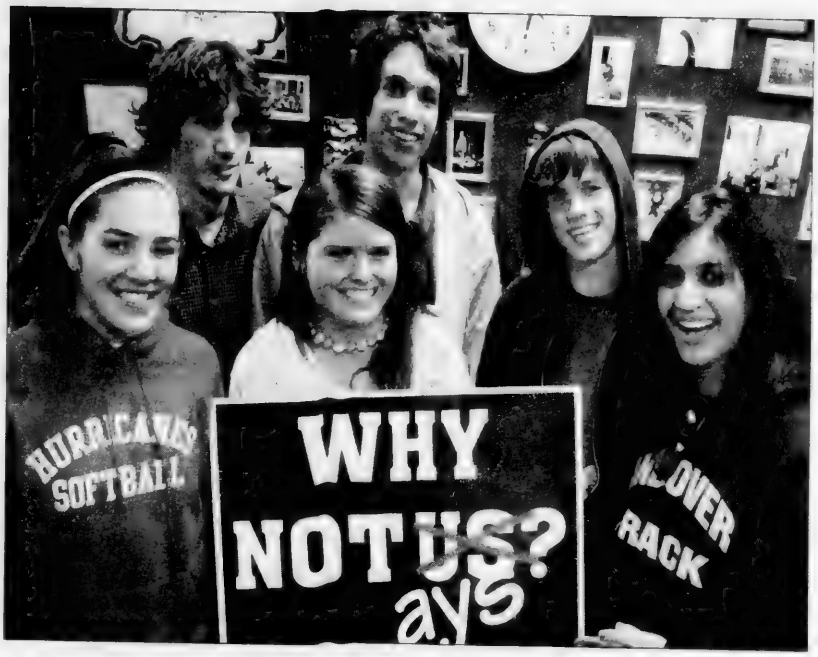


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Members of the Youth Action Council (front row, from left): Emily Cummings, Liz Minton and Reena Patel. Back row: Brayden Hass, Dylan Golden and Nathan Hass. Missing for photo were Sam Berger and Joe Rusckowki.



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The singers in BLES are (clockwise from top left): Leslie Willey, Gabrielle Traub, Susannah Poland and Becky Christoforo

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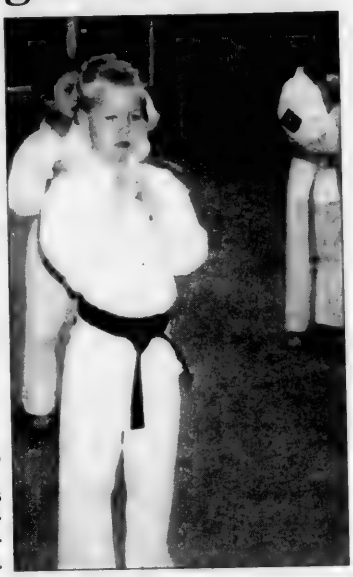
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New children's musical program comes to the community

Dance Infusion
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Cindi Worthley, owner/director of Dance Infusion, an established dance studio located in Andover, is excited to announce the unmasking of a new children's musical theater program. Located next door to Dance Infusion, the children's theatre will offer the area's youth age-appropriate sessions, beginning this summer.

The focus of the program will be to present an opportunity to students to explore different aspects of performing in a fun, safe and nurturing environment and sessions will be available for children from 3 to 14 years.

"Over the years I have seen an increasing interest in different facets of performing arts and have witnessed the personal growth of many children who have had the opportunity to participate in some of the offerings within our area. The focus of our theater classes will be to encourage creativity to kids of all levels of ability within an atmosphere of comfortable and fun learning," said Cindi. And indeed as she describes the endeavor, it is clear that energetic, colorful and imaginative surroundings will provide the backdrop for such sessions as "Funky Fairytales." The children will explore acting, singing, dancing and performing and each session will culminate with a "showcase" at the end of the week. Included in some sessions will be the opportunity to work with costume and set creation.

Children aged 3 and 4 can experience the magic of role play in half day sessions. Funky Fairytales, a musical experience, will be offered in different age group sessions to kids aged 5 through 10. Sessions of musical theatre will be open to kids ages 8 to 14 and can be combined with a drama workshop for ages 11 and up.

"Each member of the teaching staff shares my passion for performing arts and working with children," says Worthley. "The creation of the children's theater program was a natural extension of my dance studio and presents the opportunity for all of us to impart our knowledge and enthusiasm."

After a professional dance career, Cindi established Dance Infusion, which has been located in Andover for 8 years. Cindi's involvement in the community's theatre programs has included choreographing productions for Merrimack Junior Theatre and the Andover High School Drama Guild.

Joining Cindi as teachers will be Scott Worthley, Sandra Bedrosian and Keiko Yoshida. Scott, who is the manager/technical director for the Collins Center for the Performing Arts, brings extensive experience in the technical aspects of scenic and lighting design and has been working with students for over 10 years. Sandi has extensive professional performing arts experience but finds teaching her skills to others to be most rewarding. Her vocal studio of 15 years attracts dozens of Andover students ranging from 8 years of age to adults. Keiko Yoshida an alumna of and former assistant teacher with Dance Infusion has performed locally in numerous Merrimack Junior Theatre and Andover High School productions. She has continued her passion at Muhlenberg College where she is an education major, but most will recognize Keiko from her role on the national TV program *ZOOM*.

One- and two-week summer sessions will begin July 11th. For more information or to register, call 978-475-7868.

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Rhymin' with Timin' & Mom Goose	1 week 1/2 day session	$145.00	3 & 4 yrs. old	July 11th - July 15th	9:30am -12:00pm
Funky Fairytales	1 week full day session	$240.00	5 - 7 yrs. old	July 11th - July 15th	9:30am - 3:00pm
Funky Fairytales	1 week full day session	$240.00	8 - 10 yrs. old	July 11th - July 15th	9:30am - 3:00pm
Funky Fairytales & Musical Theater	2 weeks full day session	$460.00	8 - 10 yrs. old	July 11th - July 15th	9:30am - 3:00pm
				and / or July 18th - July 22nd	9:30am - 3:00pm
Musical Theater	1 week full day session	$260.00	11 - 14 yrs. old	July 18th - July 22nd	9:30am - 3:00pm
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Early Reading First grant received

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Little Sprouts Child Enrichment Centers, recipient of the U.S. Department of Education's prestigious Early Reading First grant, has announced that Karen Baldeschwieler has joined the company as Chief Operating Officer (COO). In this new role, Baldeschwieler will lead Little Sprouts in improving operations in preparation for new growth.

"Little Sprouts continues to grow, and we have reached a stage at which we are ready to expand our management team," said Susan Leger-Ferraro, Founder and CEO of the business, which has four locations in the Merrimack Valley and will be opening a fifth site in Lawrence this year.

Baldeschwieler brings over 17 years of relevant experience as educator, entrepreneur, and executive. After an early career as a high school teacher in California, she founded Academic Resource, a consulting firm that provided intervention and remediation for children struggling in school, helping children and their families overcome learning challenges, including difficulties with early literacy.

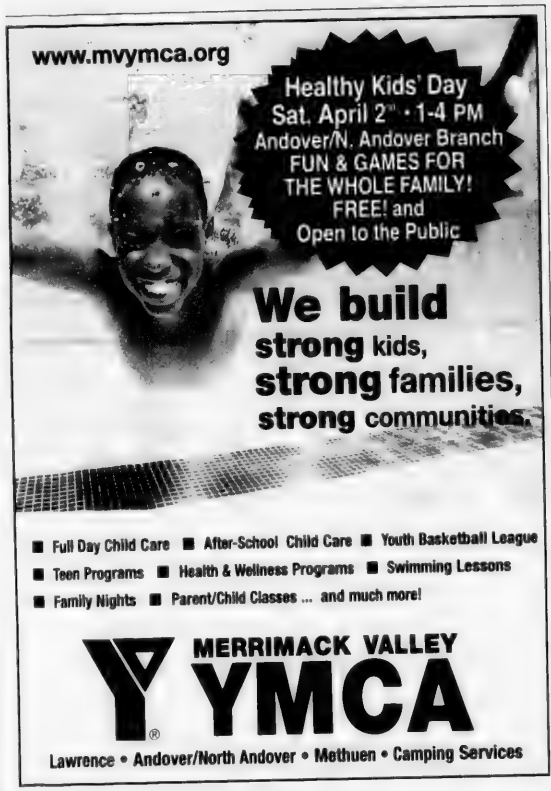
In 2000 Baldeschwieler joined Kaplan, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Washington Post Co., where she served as Vice President of Strategy for the company's rapidly growing online higher education businesses, including Kaplan University and Concord Law School.

Little Sprouts, a recipient of the U.S. Department of Education's Early Reading First grant, was selected from 2,000 applicants to create preschool early education centers of excellence.

Little Sprouts recently hosted the New England Early Reading First Grantee Alliance, which included awardees from Boston, Rhode Island, Springfield, Maine, and Connecticut.

Little Sprouts CEO Leger-Ferraro is a literacy activist, having founded the Leadership & Literacy Foundation. "This is an exciting time. We are also very proud to have Rich Byron joining us as a trustee of the foundation."

Andover resident Rich Byron is a consultant for Price Waterhouse Coopers. He has volunteered to work with literacy specialists in creating classroom interventions to meet the needs of children in emergent literacy.







■ PRESS RELEASE ■

Nearly 25 years of creative summer programs for kids

Kaleidoscope Program
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In the summer of 1981, 55 children attended the first Kaleidoscope enrichment program, held that year at Andover High School for one brief week. Six teachers were involved, along with Janis Baron, founder and director. Since that time, over 10,000 local students from ages 3 to 13 have enjoyed what will soon be 25 years of challenging and unique one-week courses. Various Andover schools have hosted Kaleidoscope over the years; this year's location is the spacious and modern Wood Hill Middle School.

The non-profit Kaleidoscope program has become synonymous with quality instruction and exceptional supervision. Middle school and high school students, many of whom attended the program as youngsters, assist each teacher as they expose children to exciting topics including music, theater, art, science, math, computers, literature, writing, crafts, movement, and much more.

Courses bear inviting names such as "Food for Thought," "Science or Wizardry," "Mass Media Blast," "House and Building Design," "Disney Delights," "Math Mania," "Treasure Island" and "Fun Physics." Some focus on physical activity, such as "Fun and Fitness," "Golf Club," "Kickboxing," "Hip Hop," "Movin' and Groovin'," "Hoop Stars," "Cheer Dance" and "Soccer Savvy."

Kaleidoscope classes (over 100 of them!) are small, and learning is definitely "hands-on." Each course lasts one week, either from 9 to 11:30 a.m. or from noon to 2:30 p.m. daily. This year the three independent sessions run July 11–15, July 18–22 and July 25–29. Children can take up to two courses each week; extended day and early drop-off options are also available.

Kaleidoscope instructors are drawn from many communities, but they all share teaching expertise, enthusiasm and the ability to teach children with many varied learning styles.

Beginning in 1990, Kaleidoscope offered another program called KITE, held August 1–5 on the beautiful campus of Merrimack College. A full-time experience geared for children whose academic skills are above grade level, KITE is designed to be especially challenging but also very exciting for students currently in grades K–8. This year's KITE theme is "curiosity."

On Sunday, May 22, a very special event will take place at the Collins Center in Andover. Theatreworks USA, a popular New York-based professional theater group, will present *Charlotte's Web* in celebration of Kaleidoscope's 25th birthday. Tickets are now available for this event and can be purchased at theLearning Express on Park Street in Andover or via phone, mail or internet directly from Kaleidoscope.

Information about this summer's Kaleidoscope programs, as well as KITE and the *Charlotte's Web* performance, can be accessed at www.kaleidoscopekids.com. The office can be reached weekdays and weekends at 978-475-1422. Mail can be directed to Kaleidoscope, Box 506, Andover 01810.

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Yes, you can afford to stay home with the kids

(MS) – It's a desire many parents have but usually just dream about – having the financial resources to live on one income so the other can stay at home with the kids.

Most of us think that's impossible. However, being a stay-at-home mom or dad can be achieved with a little creative budgeting, even for families who aren't swimming in money.

The first step is to assess the monthly finances to see where the money goes. For example, it may be that one paycheck usually covers the large household expenses such as the mortgage or rent, utilities, food, etc.

The second income often covers work-related expenses such as child care, commuting, the office wardrobe (and dry cleaning), not to mention additional costs incurred due to work, such as money spent on take-out meals brought home for dinner when there's no time to cook, or the $15–$20 lunches.



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A budget and small changes are key to making this dream can come true.

Maybe a housekeeper or gardener has been needed because of long work hours. All these "extra" expenses could be cut dramatically or eliminated altogether if one partner were at home.

A trial run is an effective way to see if one salary really can pay all the bills. Begin by calculating income and expenses, taking into account the lower tax bracket the family will be in.

Make sure that one spouse can cover the family's health insurance, and that there is still enough money to save for a joint retirement. After crunching all the numbers, see what other extras can be cut back or eliminated. Then devise other ways to cut costs even further.

A few suggestions:

• **Buy in bulk.** Shop in stores such as Costco or BJ's, where more can cost less. Just be sure not to buy 20 bottles of ketchup if one lasts the family a year.

• **Clip coupons and buy on sale.** Sunday newspapers have loads of them. And don't let coupons expire just because you have a stockpile of everything. If you have enough toilet paper but it's on sale or you have a coupon for it, it's worth buying and stashing in a closet for future use.

• **Make meals from scratch.** One benefit of being at home is that there might be more time to cook. That could mean cutting back on buying costly prepared foods.

• **Eat at home** instead of a restaurant. Eating at home is unquestionably cheaper than dining out. But restaurant dining seems to be more "fun," so we tend to do it often. Yet eating at home can be just as exciting when it is made into an "event." One approach is to have regular theme nights. For example, Tuesday can be "Ethnic Night," featuring a meal from a different country. It could be Mexican tacos one week and Spanish paella the next.

• **Turn some goods into gold.** Clean out the house of unwanted items, and have a garage sale. More valuable items might be auctioned off online, or posted for sale in the local newspaper.

• **Give homemade gifts.** Instead of buying expensive presents or taking family or friends out for lavish birthday meals, make them a home-cooked meal of their favorite foods. Handcrafted items may even become heirlooms with time.

• **Make your own decorations.** When the holidays or birthdays come around, make some of the decorations. Involving the kids in the process creates an opportunity to spend quality time together. Mix some colored construction paper and a bit of creativity, and the result might be inexpensive decorations for every occasion, and all the fun of doing it together, too.

• **Use the library.** Why buy books when the local library makes them available for free (as long as you return everything on time)? Besides books, many libraries carry DVDs or videos available for borrowing, which can cut down on video store expenses.

• **Cut back on "premium"**

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With a little creative budgeting, it might be easier than it seems to live on one income and stay home with the kids.

add-ons. Think about all the extras that add only marginally to the quality of life. Telephone features such as call waiting, for example, may be a necessity to allow emergency calls to get through, but three-way calling and call forwarding might be expendable when one partner is at home. Consider the major savings that could result from a slight lifestyle change. Instead of paying for a private gym membership, work out at the local fitness center or YMCA. Switch to basic cable television if the family rarely watches premium channels. On the other hand, if cable saves the expense of taking the whole family to the movie theater, cable may be a cost-saver.

• **Slash credit cards.** Well, don't cancel them all, but credit cards often promote impulsive buying and might lead to uncontrolled spending. Make sure every card carries a low interest rate – and minimal fees.

• **Monitor utilities.** It might feel as though electric, water and gas are fixed expenses. There are ways to save. For example, wash clothes in cold water to save on energy costs. Use energy-efficient light bulbs to reduce electricity use. Insulate windows and attics to lower heating and cooling costs. Utility companies have more ideas about conservation that can save money and might even result in rebates.

By creatively fine-tuning spending habits and following a simple budget, the dream of staying at home with the kids could become a reality.

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Shape healthy eating habits in children

(MS) – Health professionals are spreading the word that childhood obesity is an epidemic in our country.

"Kids are not little adults – they grow fast and need food to fuel their activities," says Jane Kostelc, early childhood specialist at Parents as Teachers, an early childhood parent education program based in St. Louis.

According to Kostelc, kids may need to eat "mini meals" during the day to keep them going and the ideal is to choose nutritious foods. It's the parents' job to help them develop healthy eating habits early on that will follow them into adulthood.

High five

"When you see professional athletes raise their arms and hit each other's palms – the 'high five' gesture – you know they are celebrating. Thinking of 'high five' can help you score in the nutrition game, too," says Kostelc. The child development specialists at Parents as Teachers help families across the country balance children's need for good nutrition with their sometimes picky eating habits.

About 90 percent of kids ages 6 to 11 do not meet the five-a-day fruit and vegetable recommendation, according to the National Dairy Council. Here are four quick-fixes:

• Buy fresh fruits and vegetables when they are in season for the best taste at the lowest cost.

• Add vegetables to kid favorites like spaghetti sauce or macaroni and cheese for extra punch.

• Sprinkle some cut-up broccoli, green pepper slices or grated carrots on a child's frozen pizza before baking.

• Order vegetable toppings on your child's fast food sandwiches.

Lower the fat

Fat plays a vital role in the development of young children. "You may not want to move to no-fat foods, but you can use low-fat alternatives," says Kostelc. "Remember, young children are developing the tastes and eating habits they'll carry into adulthood, so it's wise to get them started on the right path early," she adds. Following these tips will naturally lower the fat in your family's diet:

• Bake coated chicken and pork chops instead of frying them.

• Remove the skin and bones from chicken before cooking.

• Order small size fries and burgers when eating at fast food restaurants.

• Serve sauces and salad dressings on the side and dip foods into them.

Regular family mealtimes

"Hectic schedules contribute to the obesity epidemic," says Kostelc. "When families eat together, children learn to slow down, focus on the meal and know when they are full, rather than eating large portions just because the food is available."

When your family sits down to a meal, control portions and encourage children to try healthy foods by eating healthy yourself. When you're on the go before a team practice or music lesson and eating at home is not an option, try packing healthy picnics and bag lunches that everyone can eat together.

Preschoolers need snacks

Small children have small tummies. They may need as many as three nutritious snacks throughout the day to help balance their diets and give them more energy to grow, play and learn.



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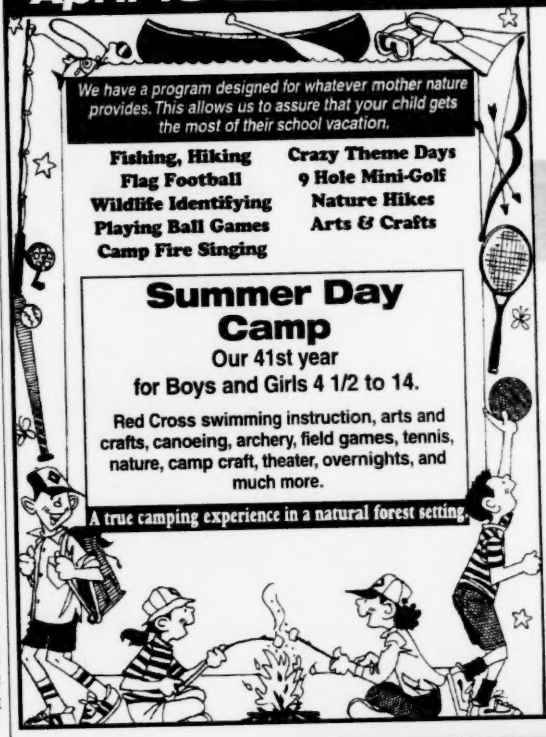
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2. Helping the new mom by doing chores and offering to watch the baby on a weekend afternoon will help her feel more physically rested and give the new dad some quality time with the newborn.

3. Don't be surprised when the new mother is a little moody – she's sleep-deprived and enduring hormonal changes. Be there to listen to her. A meal out or a bouquet of flowers may cheer her up.

4. Realize that it's OK to be a little sad about this major change in lifestyle. It's easy to feel left out or neglected because of the time spent caring for the baby. Talking things out together or with a counselor might help during this big life adjustment.

5. Sometimes the responsibilities of a newborn become a little too much to handle. Keep a list of numbers handy for a babysitter, doctor or lactation consultant for help or advice. Talking to other new or experienced dads might be helpful, too.

6. It's OK to fend off Grandma Betty and Aunt Sue who want to come over for the umpteenth visit to see the baby. Feel free to set "baby visitation times." And if anyone does offer to help, don't hesitate to take them up on it. Ask Aunt Sue to wash and fold a load of baby clothing or the mother-in-law to whip up a wholesome dinner.

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